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ITALIANS SWOOP
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DRIVEN OFF

The threatened Italian invasion of Albania began yesterday, and out of dozens of contradictory messages received the fact emerges that another independent country is disappearing from the map of Europe.

Albanian troops apparently offered resistance, in spite of the overwhelming Italian superiority in the air, on land and on sea.

Four hundred aeroplanes participated in the attack, the infantry operations being carried out by 100,000 men, while 170 warships have been concentrated off the Albanian coast.

The Albanian ports of Durazzo and Giovanni di Medusa are reported to have been completely destroyed after a ruthless Italian sea and air bombardment.

Albania demanded assistance from Yugo-Slavia, but this was refused by Belgrade. A radio broadcast from Tirana appeals to France not to allow the disappearance of Albania.

Germany has fully approved the aggression of her Axis partner, while Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, has given the Earl of Perth, British Ambassador in Rome, the Italian "explanation" for the attack on an independent country.

Germany has also issued a statement conveying a veiled warning to the Western Democracies not to interfere with Italy's action.

ROME ANNOUNCEMENT

First indication that the attack had already started came from Rome, where an official

statement said that Italian troops had left Brindisi and Bari direct for Albania on Thursday evening.

The 1st Naval Squadron, which from dawn on Thursday had been cruising along the Albanian coast from Santi Quaranta to San Giovanni di Medua, also participated, while aerial squadrons were mobilised.

Italian warships evacuated from Durazzo and Volona conveyed to Italy "several hundreds of our co-nationals, among them women and children."

"THREATENING" EVENTS

The official Italian statement, dealing with events which led up to these developments, says: "During the past few days and in the course of conversations between the Italian Government and King Zog for conclusion of a new agreement, there occurred in Tirana and elsewhere threatening demonstrations of groups of armed hands who placed in grave peril the personal safety of Italian residents in Albania."

During yesterday night the north of Albania and Durazzo were subjected to preliminary bombardment to cover the landing of troops but these which landed on the beach at Durazzo were not

YUGO-SLAVIA
REFUSES
TO AID

Belgrade, To-day.
It is learned that Albania demanded assistance of Yugo-Slavia but Yugo-Slavia refused the demands "in view of the treaty of friendship existing between Italy and Yugo-Slavia."—Reuter.

LORD PERTH'S
CALL ON CIANO

Rome, To-day.
An official communique states that when Lord Perth, the British Ambassador, saw Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, the latter gave him full "explanations and the necessary assurances."—Reuter.

Rome, To-day.
When the British Ambassador called on Count Ciano he enquired into the events in Albania as regards the effect on the status quo in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

TWO TOWNS
DESTROYED IN
BOMBARDMENT

Belgrade, To-day.
The Tirana radio announces that all Albanian diplomatic representatives have been telegraphically instructed to inform the governments to which they are accredited of the Italian aggression.

It contradicts the Italian allegation that Italians in Albania have been attacked, and states that Durazzo, San Giovanni and di Medua were completely destroyed by Italian air and sea bombardment.

It confirmed that the Albanian Minister in Belgrade informed the Yugo-Slav Government of developments, but it added that there is no Yugo-Slav-Albanian agreement which would justify Albania calling for Yugo-Slav aid.

The Yugo-Slav Government is keeping in contact with the Italian Government, and is hoping the conflict will end in a rapid solution that will take into account the interests of all three countries.—Reuter.

QUEEN
GERALDINE
AND BABY
CROSS BORDER

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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Egg Yolk Rinse Keeps Blonde Hair Light

Into my hands has fallen a charming little English book by Jane Gordon who writes so convincingly about the merits of egg yolk rinses and shampoos that I shall quote her exactly.

RINSE FOR BLONDE HAIR

"If you want to keep your hair particularly soft and shiny, or if you are a blonde, a yolk of egg rinse added to a thorough bland soap shampoo, is the best way of keeping your hair light.

You lightly beat up the yolk only of one strictly fresh egg, into a

large cup of water, and after the last rinsing with cool water in your regular shampoo, the yolk of egg mixture is poured over the hair and rubbed in well in the same way as the soap would be. It is then rinsed out thoroughly, ending with a distilled-water rinsing.

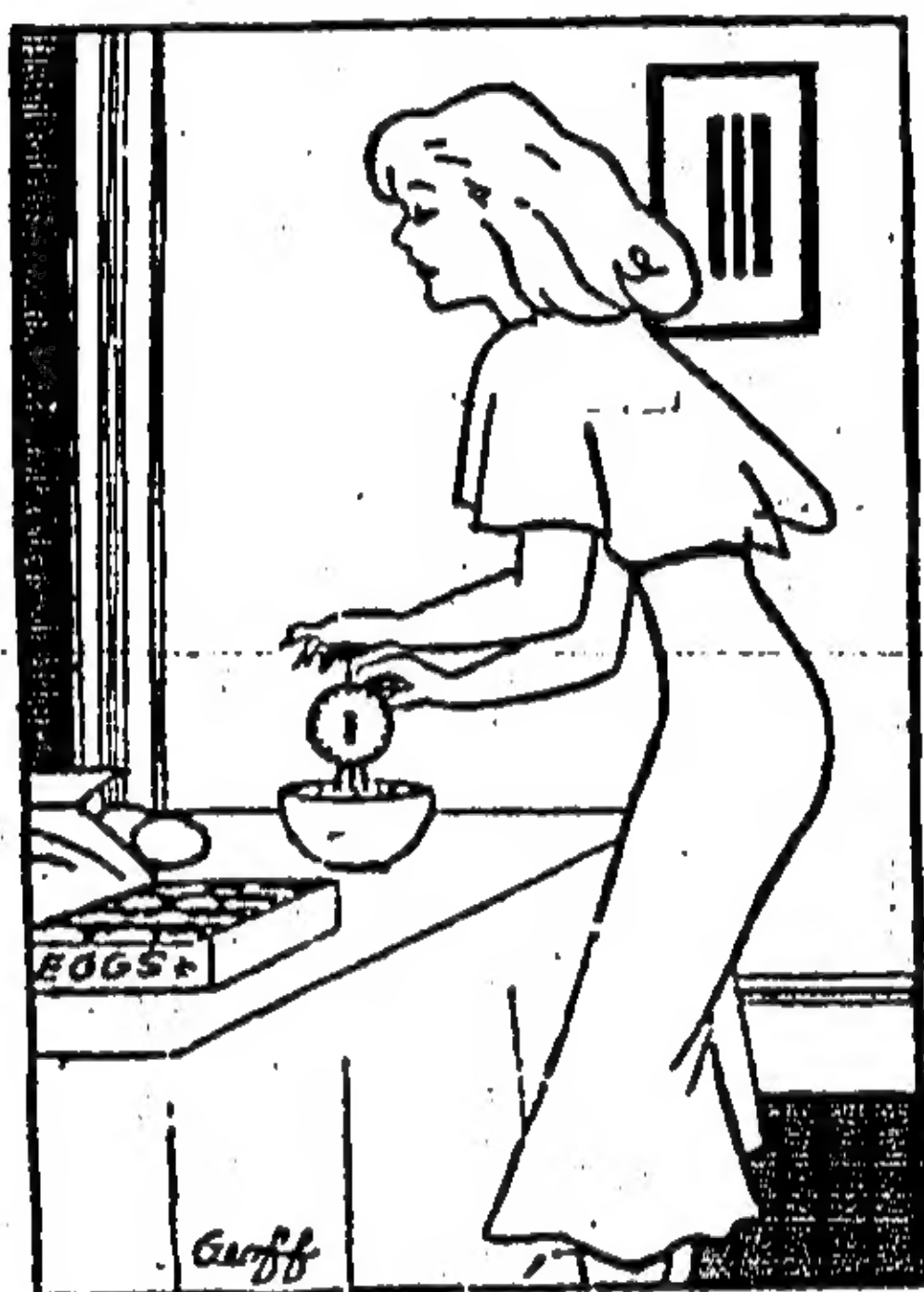
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"A course of yolk of egg shampoos is extraordinarily good for hair that is looking faded or has suddenly for no apparent reason started to fall unduly. Six shampoos are needed.

You start with the ordinary shampoo of bland liquid soap followed by the egg rinse described above.

Three days afterwards you give yourself a yolk of egg shampoo without soap. The yolks only of two fresh eggs are beaten in a large cupful of water. The hair is parted and the egg brushed into the parting, using a long handled nail brush dipped into the egg mixture.

The hair is then parted an inch farther up and the brushing repeated, until the entire scalp has been covered. The yolk of another egg lightly beaten in a large cup of water is poured over the head and massaged in thoroughly, the hair being then rinsed with five or six rinsing waters, ending up with a cool or cold rinse. The hair is then partly dried with a towel, massaged for five minutes and brushed dry. This shampoo is repeated twice



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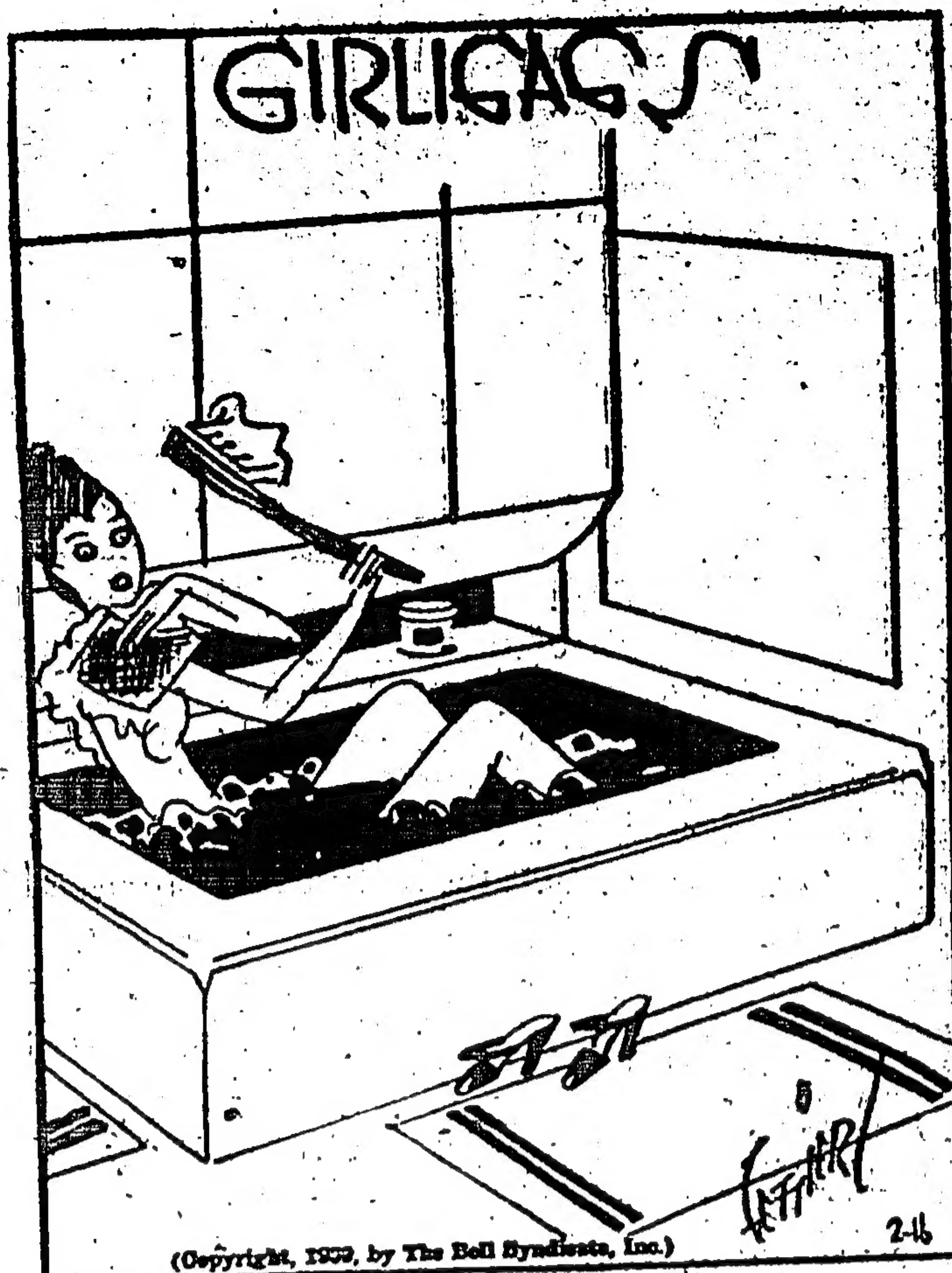
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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

This will be a poor day for displaying any kind of affectation, for it probably will rub your friends the wrong way. It is advisable to avoid giving wishy-washy handshakes, the firmness of your grip might be judged as an indication of your character. Many of the introductions to strangers this day are apt to pave the way for some future opportunity to win a worthwhile friend or to gain some business advantage.

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ness advantage. Avoid dealing in personalities, even in fun this day, for there is danger of your offending someone whose friendship is worthwhile. Mental gymnastics, especially with figures, will cause a great deal of confusion, as erroneous conceptions may lead to an almost endless chain of misstatements. It might be important for you to make a quick decision this day, but it will be good judgment to think twice before you say anything. Married and engaged couples, as well as those whose love is appreciated and reciprocated, will be wise to refrain from expressing impatience, if they wish to keep out of a squabble.

If a woman and April 8 is your

birthday, the whole tenor of your life may be influenced by a great and abiding love. You have most likely a very logical and analytical mind. You ought to cultivate the habit of reading, for from books you might derive much pleasure, have a fondness for vivid colours. You ought to be decidedly artistic, useful information and practical ideas that you could use profitably, and probably antique. You might find very congenial work as a publicity agent, artist, buyer, journalist, milliner, specialty shop manager, sales agent or actress. Your judgment in the selection of a husband is not likely to be questioned, nor regretted by you.

The child born on April 8 possibly will be quick-tempered and very sympathetic; ambitious, but not extremely studious, and witty, but not sarcastic. Lady Luck is likely to contribute liberally in the way of giving this youngster many remarkable opportunities to make a big success.

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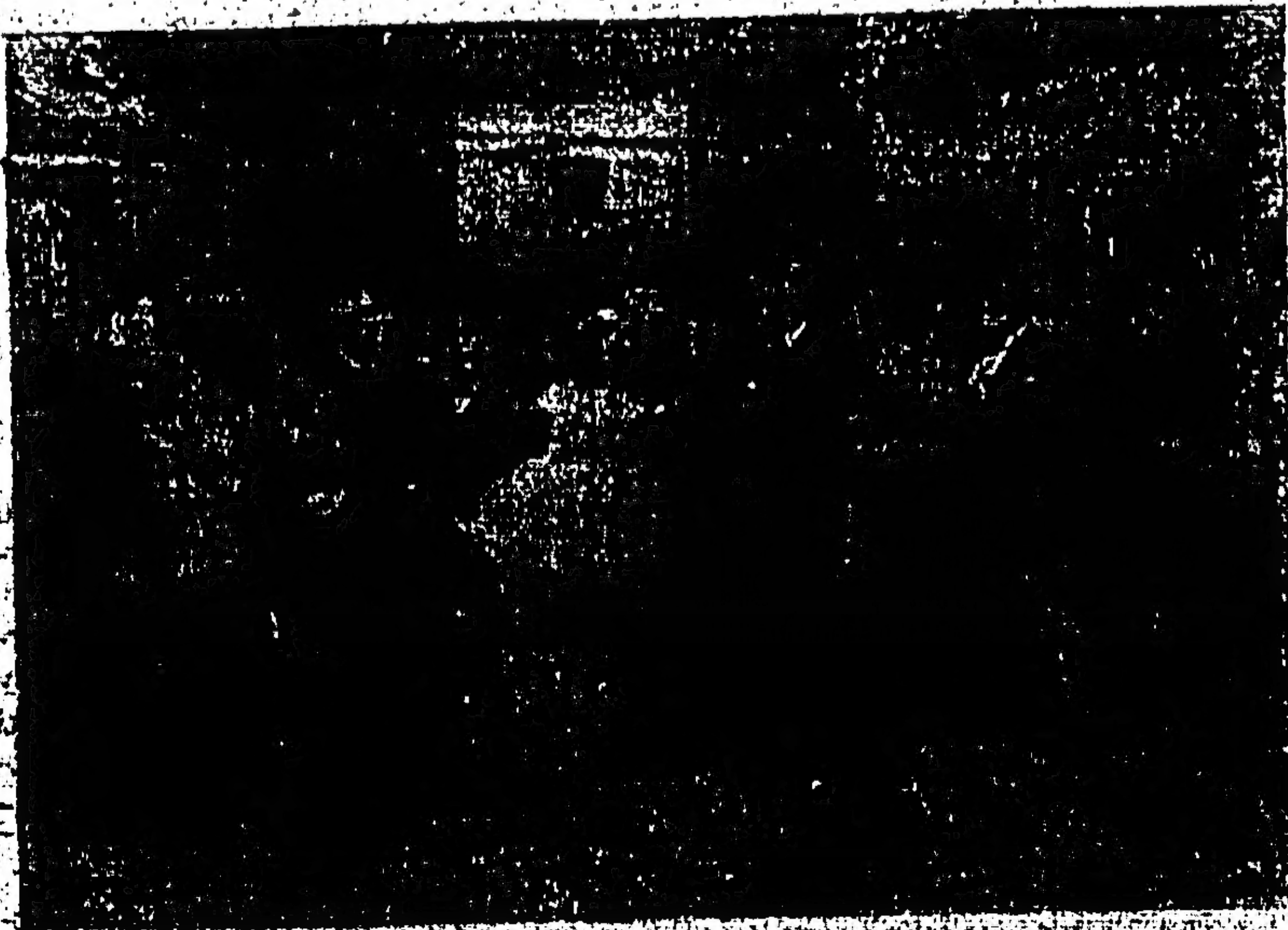
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**SAYS BURGOS--
NO MORE ITALIANS**

Burgos, To-day.

The Spanish Nationalist Govern-
ment emphatically denies rumours
of the arrival of fresh Italian
troops at Cadix.It is stated that the departure of
the present Italian forces is expect-
ed to take place very soon after
and believe the talks were not
the final entry into Madrid of
Hitler. — Reuter.**CONFERENCE AT
WILHELMSTRASSE**

Berlin, To-day.

A conference, presumably over
the Italian action in Albania, is
proceeding in the Wilhelmstrasse.Foreign political circles connect
the Italo-German staff talks at
Innsbruck with the Italian move
and believe the talks were not
taken without the full sanction of
Hitler. — Reuter.**COLONEL BECK HAS
FINAL MEETING WITH
VISCOUNT HALIFAX**

London, To-day.

The Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck, had a final
talk with the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax,
late on Thursday evening to clear up outstand-
ing points.In an interview with the press after the talks, Col.
Beck expressed optimism about future devel-
opment of the permanent stable collaboration
established between the British and Polish
Governments.He explained that both sides were inspired by a
spirit of peace and conciliation in respect of all
nations."Both thought it right to affirm
their solidarity by an agreed de-
claration."Col. Beck saw M. Tilea, the Ru-
manian Minister in London, who
returned from Bucharest on Thurs-
day, after consulting his Govern-
ment, yesterday morning, and left
London at 2 p.m.The Polish Ambassador in Paris
left for Calais yesterday to meet
Col. Beck and accompany him to
Brussels.The Ambassador will inform Col.
Beck of the views of the French
Government on the current diplom-
atic talks.It is highly likely that Colonel
Beck will visit Paris at the begin-
ning of next month.—Reuter.**MEETS M. TILEA**

London, To-day.

Following Mr. Chamberlain's
House of Commons announcement
on the Anglo-Polish Agreement, the
Polish Foreign Minister, had an-
other conversation, lasting an hour,
with the Foreign Secretary, Lord
Halifax, at the Foreign Office.Questions in the agreement still
outstanding were discussed.Earlier in the evening Col-
onel Beck had a conversation
with the Rumanian Minister to
Britain, M. Tilea, who had just
returned from Bucharest.M. Tilea also called on Lord
Halifax.The High Commissioners for the
Dominions also called at the Dom-
inions Office, where they were in-
formed of the progress of the An-
glo-Polish talks.—Trans-Ocean.**GAFENCU TRIP
POSTPONED**

Budapest, To-day.

The trip of the Rumanian For-
eign Minister, M. Gafencu, has been
postponed.M. Gafencu will now not start
his trip, first stop of which is at
Ankara, until the Turkish Foreign
Minister returns from Teheran,
where he is heading the Turkish
delegation to the wedding of the
Iranian Crown Prince.—Trans-
Ocean.**SPANISH WARSHIPS
RELEASED**

Seville, To-day.

The Spanish warships which had
been interned by the French in
Biarritz, arrived at Sevilla yesterday
and left later in the day for Cadix.
—Trans-Ocean.**NO WAR
THIS WEEK:
PREMIER
GOES FISHING**

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr.
Neville Chamberlain, left Lon-
don on Thursday evening for
a fishing holiday in Scotland.Mr. Chamberlain will keep
in the closest touch with
Whitehall, and will be able to
return in a short space of time
if necessary.—Reuter.**CHINESE RAIDS
ON CANTON
DENIED**

Canton, To-day.

In reply to questions at the daily
press conference, the Japanese
spokesman strongly denied the claim
made in Chungking that Chinese
planes raided Canton a few days
ago and destroyed 10 large Japanese
planes on the ground.Since the occupation of Canton
by the Japanese last October, said
the spokesman, the city had not ex-
perienced a single Chinese air raid.
—Reuter.**U.S. VIEW OF
GERMAN AIRCRAFT**

Washington, To-day.

"Although we are reluctant to
admit it, the best American air-
craft are second best to Ger-
many's," Mr. Joseph Ames, Chair-
man of the National Advisory
Council on Aeronautics, informed
the Senate appropriations commit-
tee, according to evidence made pub-
lic here yesterday.Mr. Ames attributed this to Ger-
many's superior research facilities
and urged an additional appropria-
tion of \$5,120,000 for aircraft re-
search.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER PASSES: "A GREAT IMPERIAL PATRIOT"

SYDNEY, TO-DAY.
MR. JOSEPH ALOYSIUS LYONS, PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA SINCE 1932, DIED ON THURSDAY MORNING AFTER A SERIES OF HEART ATTACKS. HE WAS 59 YEARS OLD.

Mr. Lyons died in the presence of Dame Enid, his wife, who scarcely left the bedside for two days.

Federal and State Cabinet members were present at the hospital, and many tears were shed.

Mr. Lyons amazed the doctors by his hard fight for life. He rallied after half a dozen heart seizures, though there was never any hope for his final recovery.

A GREAT PATRIOT

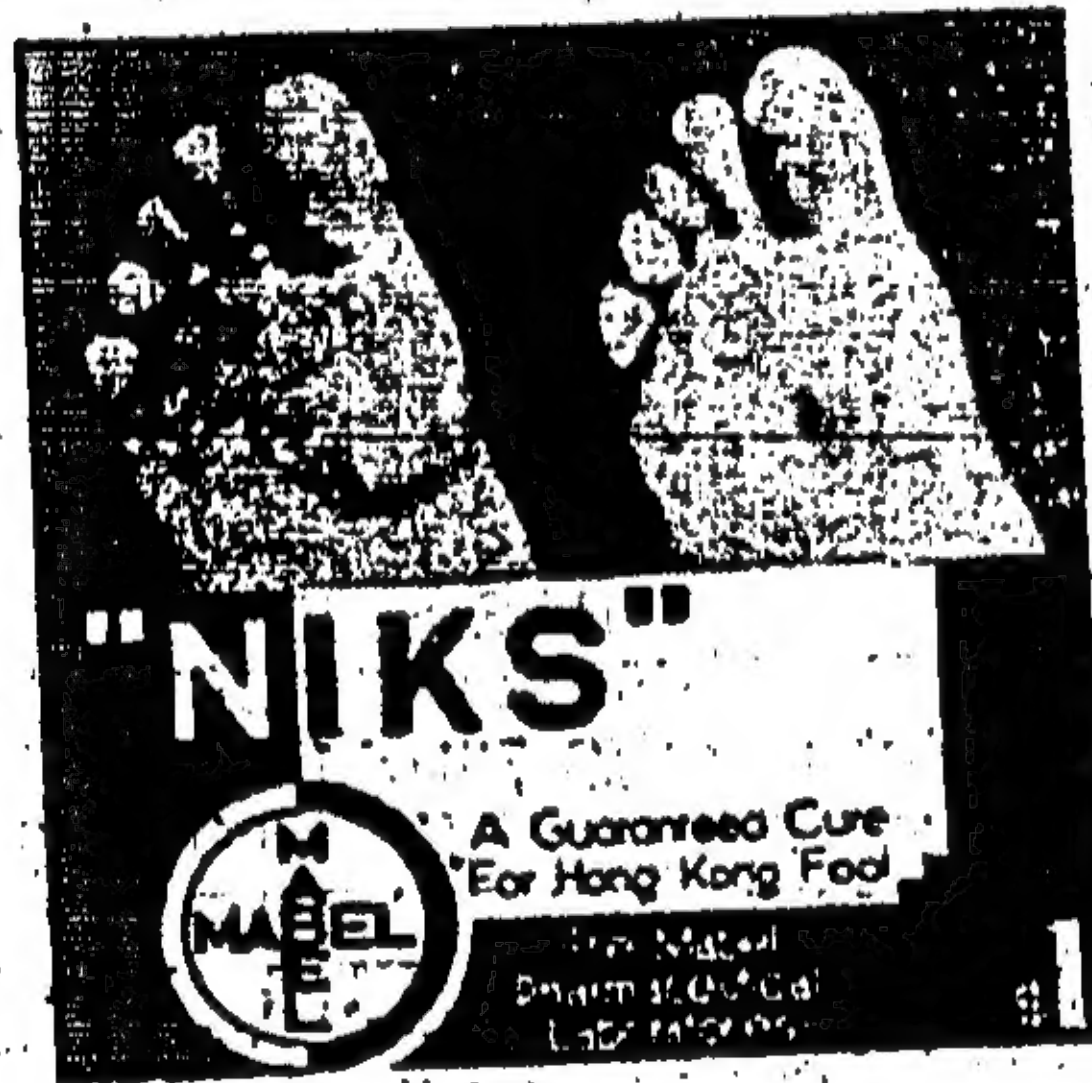
Sir Earle Page, Minister of Commerce, broadcast the following tribute: "If ever a man can truly be said to have given his life for his country, that man was Mr. Lyons."

"His passing completes the career of a great Australian statesman and a great Imperial patriot, who, supported and inspired by his talented wife, succeeded in directing the recovery of Australia from one of the darkest hours in its history."

"The premature ending of his wise and useful life was really due to the intense strain and anxiety which accompanied his efforts to help Australia and the Empire in this present extremity."

THREE TIMES PREMIER

The late Mr. Lyons was born in Stanley, Tasmania, and started life as a school teacher.



SWISS NATIONAL DEFENCE

Berne, To-day.

The Swiss Federal Council has submitted a further Bill to Parliament asking for a new credit of 190,000,000 francs to strengthen national defence.—Reuter.

The money (says Trans-Ocean) will be used as follows: 18,000,000 francs for increasing armaments; 25,000,000 francs for A.R.P., 53,000,000 francs for new fortifications, 10,000,000 for ammunition reserves and 17,000,000 for increasing reserve equipment and raw materials.

His introduction to politics occurred in Tasmania, where he eventually became Premier (from 1923 to 1928).

He had been a member of the Australian Commonwealth Parliament since 1929, and was three times Federal Prime Minister, in addition to occupying various Cabinet posts.

Mr. Lyons was a familiar and loved figure in London, where he represented Australia at the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of King George V in 1935.

In the same year he led the Australian delegation in London to discuss Imperial trade questions, and represented Australia at the Coronation of the present King in 1937.

He was also leader of the Australian delegation to the Imperial Conference in 1937.—Reuter.

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DEMONSTRATIONS IN TIRANA AS PRELUDE TO ITALIAN INVASION

Tirana, To-day.

Demonstrations against possible Italian action in Albania continued all day on Thursday. In Parliament it was declared that the Italian demands are unacceptable to Albania.

The appearance in the afternoon of 29 Italian aeroplanes over the capital caused a great demonstration by the population in front of Parliament buildings, the Royal Palace and the foreign Legations.

The demonstrators declared that Italian troops would only occupy the country "over our dead bodies."

Some 26,000 Albanian troops have been mobilised.—Reuter.

Paris, To-day.

The Albanian Legation here has issued a communique emphasising Albania's intention never to agree to alienate her independence or to allow foreign troops to disembark.

NO AUTHORITY

The communique says that the Italo-Albanian defensive alliance of 1927 in no way authoritises Italy to intervene for maintenance of order in Albania.

Therefore there is nothing to arouse belief of any change of attitude by Italy.—Reuter.

YUGOSLAV RESERVE

Belgrade, To-day.

Strict reserve is being maintained in official Yugo-Slav quarters over the Albanian situation.

The Foreign Minister, M. Marcovitch, has received the Albanian Minister, M. Stila.

Albanian news has caused some concern among the public, and newspapers are publishing only short reports.—Trans-Ocean.

GOERING OFF TO TRIPOLI

Rome, To-day.

Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, who is on vacation at San Remo, embarked yesterday for Tripoli.—Trans-Ocean.

FIRST WARNING

Rome, To-day.

Several Italian journalists have left for Albania, among them Mussolini's special war correspondent, Luigi Barzini.—Trans-Ocean.

INNSBRUCK COUNCIL

Rome, To-day.

The meeting of the German and Italian General Staffs at Innsbruck is given great prominence in the Italian press.

The papers say the meeting shows the perfect working in the military field of the Berlin-Rome Axis.—Trans-Ocean.

SO MANY CAN'T ALL BE GOOD!

Canton, To-day.

An announcement on the "good citizen badges" issued to Chinese approved by the Japanese, was made by the official Japanese spokesman here yesterday.

He said the badges no longer served their purpose when too many were issued.

Over 500,000 had been issued, the spokesman claimed, "all of whom

PRECEDENT CREATED

Sydney, To-day.

Mr. J. A. Lyons' death was the first time an Australian Prime Minister had died in office, and it is not yet known what action the Governor-General will take.

One of the political consequences may be an early Election. Reuter.

[The story of Mr. Lyons' death will be found in Page Five.]

FRENCH OBJECT TO ALBANIA PROTECTORATE

PARIS, TO-DAY.

FRENCH INTEREST SEEMS TO HAVE SHIFTED FROM THE ANGLO-POLISH TALKS TO THE MEDITERRANEAN, WHERE ALBANIA IS OCCUPYING MUCH ATTENTION.

While Italy's favoured position in Albania is recognised, strong hostility exists towards a direct Italian protectorate over that country.

Meanwhile the Foreign Minister, M. George Bonnet, received the Polish and Spanish Ambassadors.

The Spanish Ambassador's visit is said to have been connected with the French inquiry into the landing of fresh Italian troops in Spain, while the Polish envoy's visit was concerned with the negotiations between Britain and France and Poland.

The Rumanian Ambassador also called on M. Bonnet, to discuss the London talks and also the coming visit of the Rumanian Foreign Minister to Paris.

M. Bonnet also received the ex-Czech Minister, M. Ousky.—Trans-Ocean.

of course, could not claim to be good citizens." — Reuter.

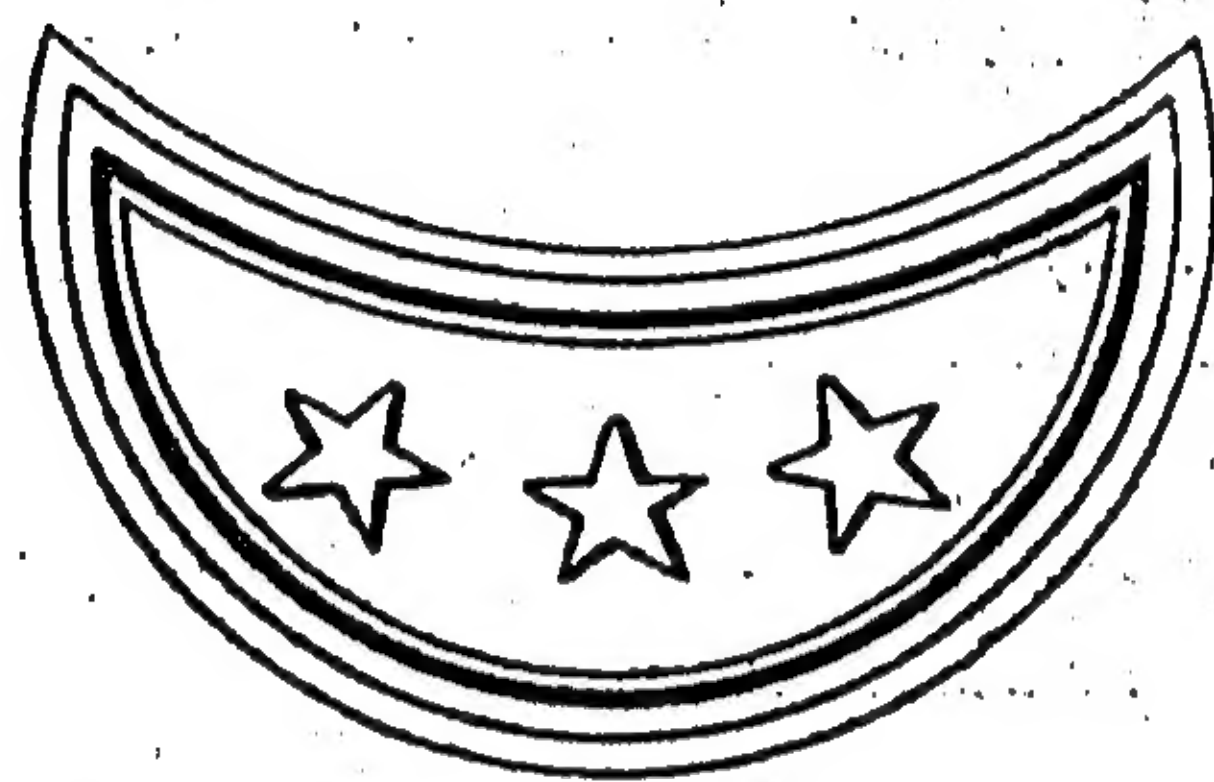
The spokesman's announcement seems to be an attempt to confirm Japanese claims that the population of Canton has been returning to large numbers.

Foreign sources are of opinion the actual population of Canton to-day falls far short of the figure of half a million claimed by the Japanese spokesman and cited by Reuter.

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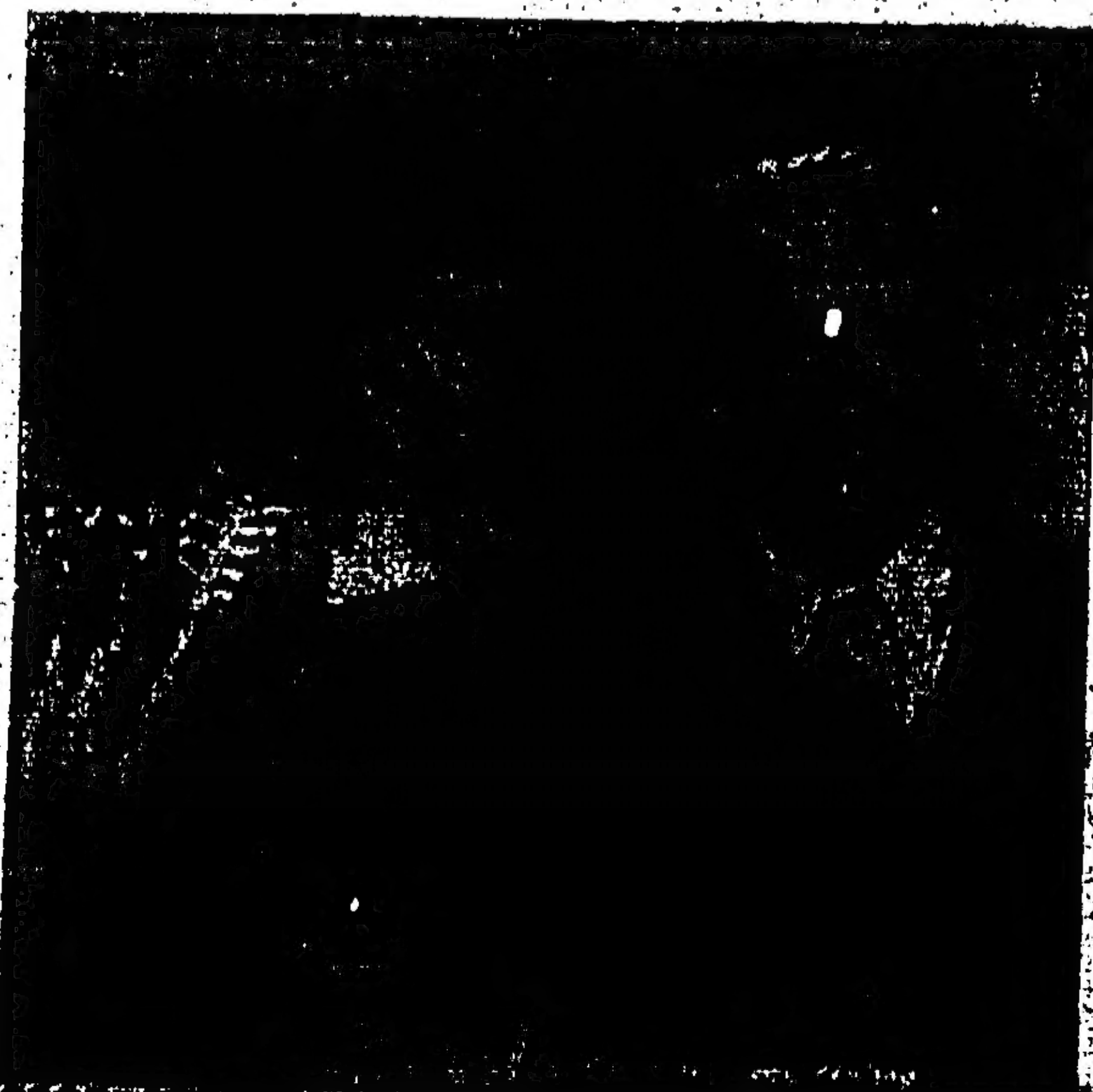
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BRITAIN WAITING ON FURTHER DETAILS

Difficulty In Obtaining Accurate Reports

RECENT ITALIAN ASSURANCES

London, To-day.

British official circles feel it is essential to wait until the situation has crystallised and official reports are received and considered before any considered judgment on the situation in Albania can be formed.

It is pointed out that many reports are contradictory and that other governments, including that of Yugo-Slavia, are experiencing similar difficulties in obtaining authoritative reports.

WASHINGTON MESSAGE FROM TIRANA

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE, MR. CORDELL HULL, HAS RECEIVED A CABLE FROM THE UNITED STATES MINISTER AT TIRANA, THE ALBANIAN CAPITAL, STATING THAT ALL AMERICANS THERE WERE AT THE LEGATION. NONE ARE INJURED.

Mr. Hull told the press he did not consider there were enough Americans in the danger zone to raise the question of sending an American warship.

He added that the United States Government was assembling all essential facts in the Italo-Albanian conflict before assuming her attitude.—Reuter.

FOXBROUGH FAVOURITE FOR THE DERBY

London, To-day.

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—Reuter.

However, it is observed that the Italian Government on April 4 informed the British Government that "they had no wish whatever to change the status quo in Albania," and in the scheme which the Italians had formulated earlier to the Albanian Government through normal diplomatic channels for closer Italo-Albanian relations, they had not implied any diminution of the sovereignty, integrity and independence of Albania.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, is remaining in London to be in close touch with the situation, and it is understood that other members of the Cabinet are close at hand.

DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY

Callers at the Foreign Office included the French Polish and Turkish Ambassadors, the Rumanian, Greek, Albanian, Yugo-Slav and Bulgarian Ministers and the Italian charge d'affaires.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says that the news of the invasion "did not take British quarters entirely by surprise."

Lord Halifax at the Foreign Office yesterday received reports as they arrived, and the French and British Governments are in close consultation.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain and his wife arrived in Aberdeenshire yesterday morning for a fishing holiday. They are staying with Lord and Lady Forbes.—Reuter.

BECK LEAVES FOR WARSAW

London, To-day.

Colonel Joseph Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, has left for Warsaw on completion of the negotiations for an Anglo-Polish pact of mutual assistance.—Reuter.

71 CHINESE SHOT IN CANTON

Canton, To-day.

A total of 71 Chinese convicted of armed robbery or looting, were shot by the Japanese a few days ago, said the official spokesman at a press conference.

This was the second mass execution of criminals since the occupation, and followed a swift trial.—Reuter.

NAZI APPROVAL OF ITALIAN INVASION

Berlin, To-day.

German approval of the Italian action is implied in a presumably inspired comment in the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," which declares that Italy is directly interested in Albania.

Her Adriatic policy, declares the Nazi journal, is determined "by resolution to preserve peace!"

Official Nazi circles states: "Germany would not understand or be

U.S. EXPECTED TO REFUSE RECOGNITION

Washington, To-day.

It is expected that the United States will refuse to recognise the occupation of Albania.

Well-informed circles declare that this "indefensible aggression" by Italy should end illusions that one end of the Axis could be bought off with concessions, and it is now clear that both ends are equally aggressive and faithless.

It is considered here at despite British progress in forming an anti-aggression bloc, much remains to be done.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, held a long telephone conversation with President Roosevelt at Warm Springs on the situation in Albania.

It is understood the conversations dealt with the effects on American relations with Italy and Albania.—Reuter.

able to approve if the Democratic Western Powers, which have no interests in the Albanian sphere, should want to intervene in a juridically irreproachable position in the action of our Axis partner."—Reuter.

Japanese Run Into An "Accident" Near Kowkong

Canton, To-day.

IT has been officially revealed that a Japanese cameraman was killed and four others injured as result of an "accident" (as the Japanese spokesman nicely puts it) near Kowkong, about 25 miles south-east of Canton at the end of March.

While a party of 18 Japanese journalists and cameramen were returning by bus from a tour of the battle areas they were attacked by some "Chinese remnant troops." For some reason the bus overturned, says the Japanese spokesman, causing the death of a camera-

man named Shiraki, of the South China Photo Service.

The Japanese spokesman claims that Chinese "volunteers" are co-operating with the Japanese forces in mopping-up operations in the West River Delta which began on March 27.—Reuter.

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By BUD FISHER



THE DAILY SHORT STORY

Trailing North

At the point where the trail came down to the frozen bed of the river Big Fritz stopped and slipped the pack from his shoulders. For awhile he stood beating his mittened hands against his body. Gradually, into his fingers came a stinging sensation. Big Fritz chuckled, slowly flexing the fingers which had come so close to being frozen beyond repair. He was still chuckling as he gathered wood, tumbled in his pocket for a match and presently had a fire going.

He set water on to boil and laid two biscuits close to the blaze. When the water boiled he dropped in a handful of tea. As Big Fritz sipped the tea and munched the now sudden biscuits he chuckled again.

So they had warned him against attempting to make Frozen Creek had they? They had told him he was new to this country and didn't realise the folly of a man alone being out when the temperature was 50 below. Bah! Did they take him for a weakling? Let those flabby-muscled, soft-brained idiots remain squatting about the fire at Riley's Post if they liked. While they basked and soaked and made excuses he, Fritz, was going on, up to the gold country, and stake out for himself the best claim of all.

Gold! Mere thought of the word brought lustful lights into his eyes. Then it happened. The snow on which he stood suddenly gave way.

ten hours and be on his way with the first streaks of dawn, and reach Frozen Creek before another day had passed. At Frozen Creek there would be warmth and shelter and cheer. Curiously, he felt that he could use long period of rest. His breathing, for some strange reason, seemed to be laboured. This annoyed him. He had never known such a feeling.

Suddenly, he became aware that all sense of touch had gone from his fingers. He dropped and beat them against his body until the stinging told him that life once more coursed in their veins. He swore aloud when, in stopping, he became aware that his feet had grown numb. He stamped about, swinging his arms at the same time. It must have grown colder. It must be all of 60 below. Perhaps more. Perhaps it was almost 70. At 70 a man's eyes would freeze. Terror beset the man.

He moved forward faster. Perhaps he had better stop now and make camp. That would mean another day on the trail. He lumbered ahead even faster. His fingers went numb again and he stopped to beat them. Then his feet began to freeze. He stamped about, pounding his feet against the frozen snow.

Then it happened. The snow on which he stood suddenly gave way.

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

Two days ago a bread had come in with the news that miners at Frozen Creek had made a new strike. There had been a bustle of excitement at Riley's post, a rush of preparation, a fever of anticipation. The next day would see 90 per cent. of the residents at the post trekking northward.

And then that night the temperature had dropped. To 20 below. To 30. To 40! And then to 50! Old timers said it was bound to go lower. Even the newest arrivals heeded the warning. No man could live alone in weather like that unless he got all the breaks, and nobody in the north country ever got all the breaks. A man would be a fool to try.

But Big Fritz's eyes had gleamed. So, they thought no man could stand the gaff, eh? They were staying home by the fire, waiting for the cold snap to break? O.K! Fine! He'd show them! And his reward would be the biggest and richest claim of all.

Big Fritz swung the pack over his shoulders, and turned toward the river. The river was a broad, smooth highway, penetrating the wild fastnesses of the north country. Following it to Frozen Creek was longer, yet it saved time because it facilitated travel. Three feet of snow covered its solid surface of ice.

Big Fritz laughed aloud. The fools! The weaklings! Did they imagine there was any country in the world which could defy the strength and cunning of Big Fritz? He'd show them.

It was noon when Big Fritz had stopped to boil his tea. But, despite the fact that the sky was clear, there was no sun for this was the land on top of the world where in winter the sun never rises above the southern rim. A weird, ghastly light lay all about, rendering what was already bleak, bleaker still, making desolation more desolate.

To-night there would be no moon. In an hour or two the light would fall completely. Yet Fritz would welcome the end of the short day. He would make camp, eat a hearty meal, sleep

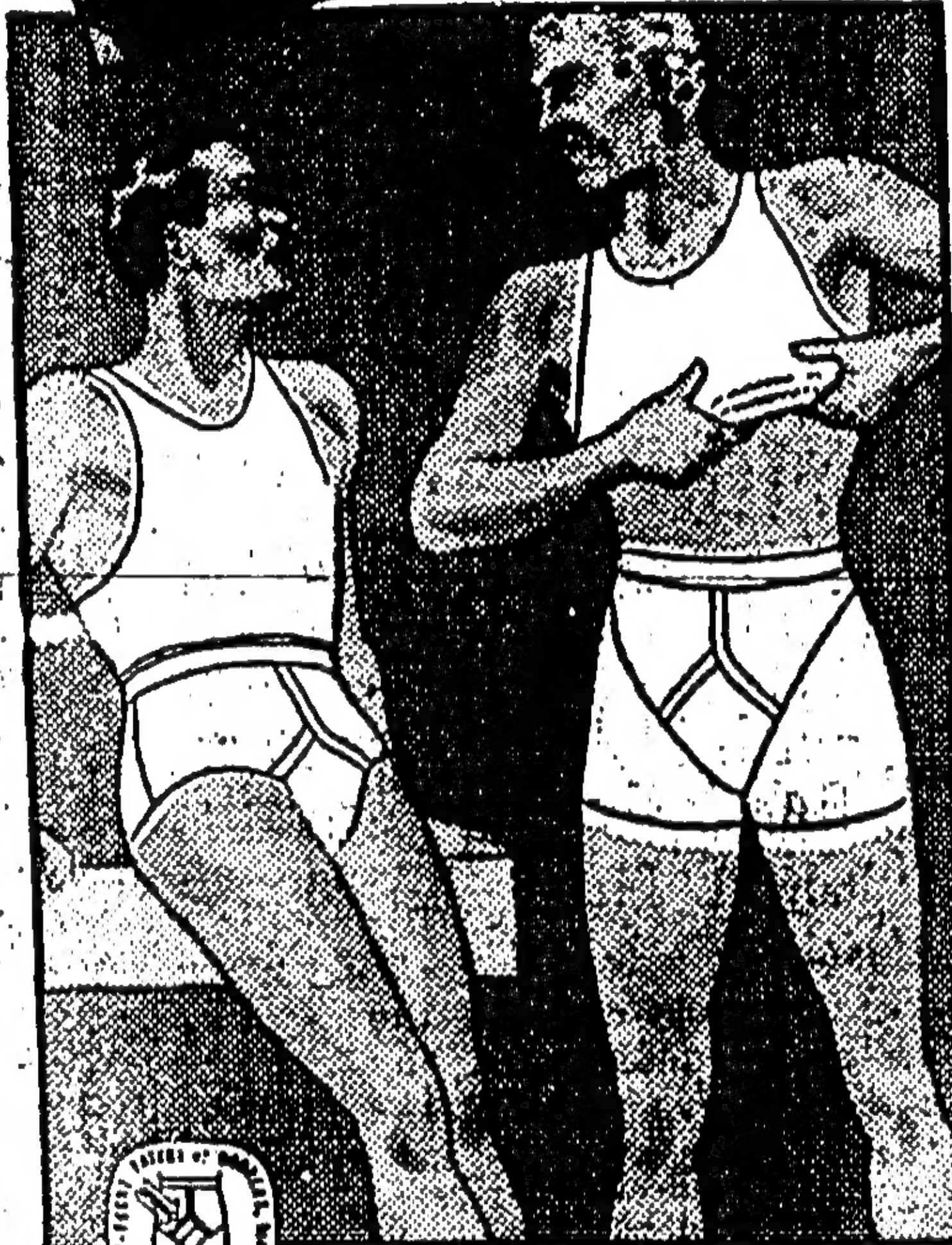
Too late he realized he had been standing on the thin coating of an air hole. He plunged down. Water closed about his legs, his thighs. He clutched frantically at the edge of the hole, but managed after a moment's struggle to pull himself out.

He lay breathing heavily, then got to his feet. It was as though he were in a plaster cast. He fell, began inching himself toward the bank and the dry wood that lay there. He tried to find a match, but his fingers were clumsy, and in a frenzy of fear he ripped off his mitten. He found the match, but his fingers were too cold to light it. He tried to get his mitten on again. The effort exhausted him. By the time he had the task accomplished his hand was frozen, useless.

Big Fritz looked up and about. Startling desolation lay on every hand. The weird light had begun to fail. A drowsiness came over him. He rested his head on his arm. He felt warm and comfortable. He roused himself once, but there was a uselessness about the effort, so he lay down again, finding peace and warmth in the first stages of the long sleep.

With the passing of light a wind whipped down the river, drifting powdery snow over the still form of the man, laughing eerily, mockingly; laughing in triumph.

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Extraordinary Outburst By Signor 'Mouthpiece' Gayda

"ITALY RESTORING PEACE, ORDER AND LIBERTY"

Rome, To-day.

Signor Gayda, Italy's official political commentator, writing in "Giornale d'Italia," declares that a new and important event is being accomplished in the Near East and Europe.

"At the call of patriotic Albanians who were unable further to suffer the misgovernment of their King and obliged by the necessity of defending the life and land of Italians in Albania, who were openly threatened by obscure armed bands, Italy to-day landed, without encountering any resistance, her troops, who are pushing forward to various vital points of the land."

Signor Gayda adds: "During the past few days King Zog has asked the Italian Government for fresh help and protection and for the despatch of troops to guard certain points in Albania, but at the last hour the Italian Government discovered that her forces would be required only in the case of a wild attempt by King Zog against Yugo-Slavia towards Kossovo, with the evident object of disturbing the tranquil and cordial relations between Italy and Yugo-Slavia."

KING ACCUSED

"Italian refusal to play this game has provoked the displeasure of peace is desired."—Reuter.

King Zog and his followers, and this was shown in provocation and significant acts of violence against Italians residing in Albania.

"The Italian Government called King Zog's attention to his responsibility. The King evaded the issue by offering new and suspicious intrigues."

"By her intervention, Italy has restored to Albania peace, order and liberty to civil workers, which was being seriously compromised."

"This decision cannot alarm neighbouring States with whom only friendly collaboration and an assurance of Balkan and European

JAPANESE VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

Canton, To-day.

Everybody proceeding from Canton to the occupied areas in Central China, including Shanghai and Nanking, must in future carry a certificate showing that they have recently been inoculated against cholera and smallpox.

The regulation applies to foreigners as well as Chinese.—Reuter.

BRITAIN FORGETS THE CRISIS

London, To-day.

Parliament has adjourned for the Easter Recess until April 18, but will be re-summoned if the international situation warrants.

The weather forecast of a fair amount of sunshine has prompted Britain to forget the international crisis, and thousands are flocking in record numbers to country and seaside resorts for Easter.

The railways are running nearly 3,000 trains from London, and every available air liner has been pressed into service for Continental journeys.—Reuter.

Mr. Hudson Clears Up Trade Difficulties In Poland

London, To-day.

At Warsaw, the Secretary for Overseas Trade, Mr. R. S. Hudson, was able to clear up difficulties which had arisen in the working of the trade agreement with Poland and to discuss with Polish Ministers, the development of Polish industrial equipment.

This statement was made in the House of Commons by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, referring to Mr. Hudson's visit to Warsaw, Moscow, Helsinki and Stockholm.

At Moscow, Mr. Hudson discussed general economic relations between the two countries.

He was able to obtain the consent of the Soviet for the opening in London of negotiations for a new

agreement.

MORE LONDON TALKS

As a result of conversations in Helsinki and Stockholm, it had been agreed that deputations of Finnish and Swedish industrialists be sent at an early date to London with a view to devising practical methods of increasing British exports to Finland and Sweden.—Reuter.



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MIRROR OF OPINION

The statements of the British secretary of War have made an immense impression abroad and as a consequence resistance against totalitarianism is expected to become more vigorous both in the field of home and foreign relations.

This is particularly true in the case of Yugoslavia. The Democratic Opposition which suffered a moral defeat after Munich, has become a political factor again, and the possibility of its coming to power very soon is by no means excluded.

Its political programme, now under revision, aims at the revival of the French alliance and conclusion of a Treaty of friendship with Great Britain. — "Culenta," Bucharest.

The Franco-Italian controversy cannot be isolated from questions more directly concerning Britain, Germany, and others. The impending diplomatic ordeal is bound to be difficult and hazardous. Those who affect to disguise this certainty are no intelligent friends of peace.

The best hope—and a firm one by comparison with last September—is the rapidly rising strength of this country (Britain).

Every new machine put into service is as much an asset to diplomacy as a reinforcement of power. Much, indeed, will depend upon what Signor Mussolini now asks, and how he asks it; but in any case the developed game is likely to be much bigger than the rabbit might suggest. — "Observer," London.

England is losing that somewhat cold reserve with which she created Moscow before Munich. Munich marked not only the end of Geneva methods but the isolation of Soviet Russia from all diplomatic influence in Europe.

Therefore, the signs of more normal relationships between Russia and England, such as the visit of Chamberlain to the Russian Embassy, confidential talks between Malak and Halifax, and the trade talks are in contradiction to the spirit of Munich. By introducing once more the

U.S.S.R. into European politics England will not serve the cause of international peace. — "Hamburger Fremdenblatt."

By accepting a fleet that was not suitable for aggressive action against this country, it is obvious that German political leaders were risking a great deal on Britain's neutrality. Events of the last eighteen months, particularly during the crisis last autumn, showed them that they had dangerously misread the reaction of this country to Germany's political aims, and forced them to reckon Great Britain as a possible, even probable, enemy.

Germany's armed forces must be developed in such a way that they will most effectively threaten Great Britain, and therefore cause this country to avoid a war which might be infinitely more damaging—whether successful or not—than concessions made in peace. — "Fortnightly."

Her Hitler's influence is dominant in Central Europe, as it was found in the to become, is proving itself consistently hostile to political freedom as the Western democracies understand it. They on their part can only continue with increased energy to look to their own security—not because they wish to prevent the normal growth of a strong Germany, but because more and more the Nazi Reich appears to be determined not only to expand to its full stature, but also to extend its domination wherever the weakness of other nations may seem to make extension possible. — "Times".

What can be said without fear of contradiction in unbiased quarters is that to-day, despite her big feverish preparations, Germany is in no condition to wage war on a large scale, and especially not a war which would last for more than a few months. The raw material stores in the Reich are pitifully low, the four-year-plan to provide domestic raw material substitutes has not progressed sufficiently to be an effective aid and the once superb rail transportation system of the Reich has deteriorated appreciably through neglect. Moreover, the shortage of skilled industrial workers and farm labourers would develop into an acute problem in case of general mobilisation. — "New York Times".

There are three Hush-Hush Bills hidden in the discreet archives of Whitehall.

Drawn up two years ago, one secret plan provides for the return of certain colonies to Germany.

Another, designed to be rushed through Parliament in a few hours, would effect a war-time nationalisation of all transport.

Another would control agriculture, and has drastic proposals for increasing food production. — "John Bull".

While dissatisfaction obtains over the continuation of the German advance towards the South of Europe, the idea of customs union is described in Rome as "intelligent," and worthy of being copied by Italy. As regards Albania it is almost certain that she will be brought within the Italian customs barriers before the end of the present year. Deprived of the subsidies granted to the Tirana Government, the present regime would have little chance to survive. — "Der Bund," Bern.

U. S. FINANCIER'S WARNING TO NAZIS

America Will Fight If Interests Are Involved

Pungent Remarks By Bernard Baruch

Washington, To-day.

"You cannot put economic pressure upon nations and hope to remain indefinitely at peace with them," declared the well-known financier, Mr. Bernard Baruch, before the Senate's neutrality committee yesterday.

"Economic sanctions," added Mr. Baruch, "are innately dangerous. If they fail, they are bound to lead to war."

"I doubt whether economic pressure on our part could prevent war if an aggressor was determined on it."

Mr. Baruch endorsed the principle of placing arms and ammunition on a cash and carry basis when other countries are at war and the United States is neutral. He believed this could be done without affecting the neutrality status of the United States.

GERMAN MISTAKE

"Anyone who thinks the United States would not fight when the interests of this hemisphere and the United States are involved, is badly mistaken," he declared, and added grimly: "Germany made that mistake once before."

Mr. Baruch said he believed the United States or the Western Hemisphere could escape involvement in a European conflict without burying its head in the sand, and yet still raise its voice against faithlessness and brutality.

Mr. Baruch, who was President Wilson's chairman of the 1918 War Industries Board and is now a frequent consultant of President Roosevelt, expressed the opinion that since true neutrality "is an almost unobtainable ideal," the best course the United States could pursue is that which protects it as far as possible from involvement in war, preserves fairness in dealings with belligerents, aids in the development of defence and guards against economic collapse.

DYING COMMERCE

"If we believe we can defend the

Western Hemisphere, then the argument for waging economic warfare falls to the ground," he declared.

Mr. Baruch declared that the commerce of the world, on which rested both its peace and prosperity, was dying—killed by the increasing restrictions of barter, tariffs and quotas and "self-containment."

He said Mr. Cordell Hull (the American Secretary of State) was trying to restore it, but the present neutrality legislation threatened to restrict it further.—Reuter.

MUDDLE IN FARM PROBLEMS

Washington, To-day.

Farm legislation problems, including cotton, are becoming even more muddled as renewed factionalism among the farm State Senators appears increasingly to defeat any broadening of the agricultural programme in the present session of Congress.

There are now at least three distinct proposals urged by farm Senators, and none seem sufficiently acceptable to any other group to form the basis of a compromise.—Reuter.

NAZIS EXPELLED FROM BRITAIN

London, To-day.

The residence in Britain of three persons connected with the Gestapo, the dreaded German secret police, and other Nazi organisations, was terminated recently.

This was revealed in the House of Commons yesterday by the Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare.

Sir Samuel added that the activities of other persons similarly connected were being watched.—Reuter.

ANGLO--U.S. AGREEMENT ON PACIFIC ISLES

Washington, To-day.

A 50-year Anglo-American agreement for joint occupation and administration of the Pacific islands of Canton and Enderbury for use as trans-oceanic air stations, has been signed.

The agreement provides that an American company or companies may construct an airport on Can-

H.K. TO BE STOP IN BERLIN-TOKYO AIR ROUTE

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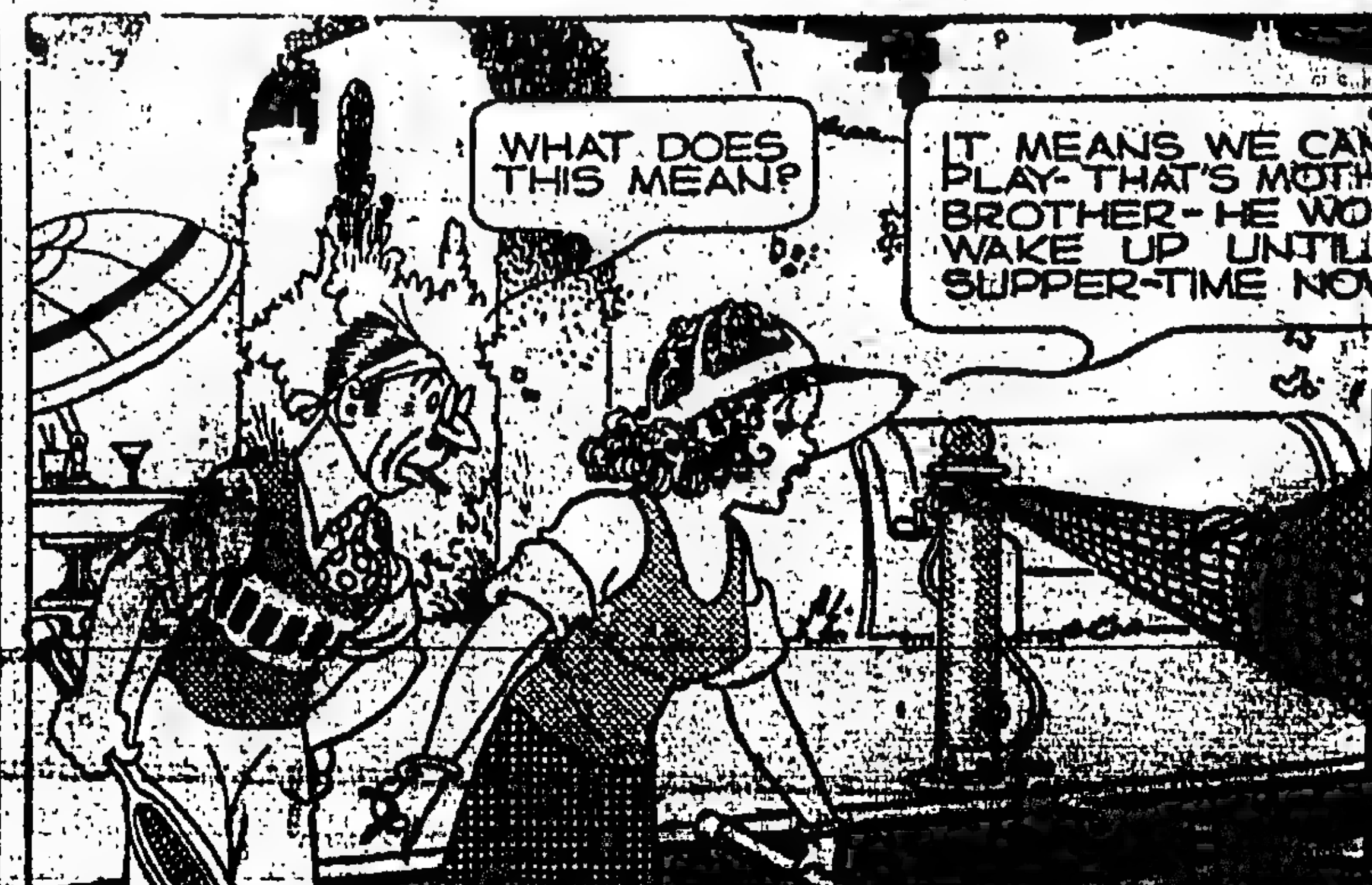
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GERMANY'S OFFER TO POLAND

Berlin, To-day.

Germany has offered to guarantee Poland's "complete independence and territorial integrity" for half a generation, according to the Nazi paper "Voelkischer Beobachter."

In return, Germany has asked for return of "a small compact area which is inhabited exclusively by Germans" and "free passage to Germany north-eastward."

The "small compact area" is presumed to mean Danzig.

These details supplemented the inspired statement issued on April 5 in which reference was made to the recent talks between Germany and Poland.—Reuter.

FRANCO JOINS ANTI-COMINTERN PACT

Burgos, To-day.

General Franco's Government has officially announced adherence to the Anti-Comintern Pact.

The official announcement states the step has been taken "in order to strengthen the Government's defensive position in the face of surrounding dangers."

The protocol of adhesion was signed at Burgos by the Spanish

Wilhelmstrasse Conference Anglo-Polish

Berlin

Mr. Neville Chamberlain's announcement in the House of Commons on Poland has been the subject of a conference of Nazi officials at Wilhelmstrasse.

German political circles do not disguise the fact that Poland is apparently having dealings with the Soviet or other ties with Rumania.

ROOSEVELT PROCLAMATION ON SLOVAKIA

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

A PROCLAMATION BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, RELEASED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, TO PUT INTO EFFECT THE TURKISH-AMERICAN AGREEMENT, INDICATES THAT THE PRESIDENT CONSIDERS SLOVAKIA UNDER GERMAN ADMINISTRATION.

The proclamation states: "Products of Slovakia shall be regarded as products of Germany."

State Department officials declared that on the strength of the proclamation, the United States would refuse to credit any German representations that Slovakia is an independent nation.—Reuter.

Foreign Minister, the Italian and German Ambassadors and the Japanese Minister.—Reuter.

These Nazi circles believe the attitude of the Polish Foreign Minister, Beck, indicates the inclination to join in policy against Germany.

In Paris, Mr. Chamberlain's announcement has been met with regret. It is expressed among Left Wing circles that detailed engagement has been concluded.

The Left also expresses reluctance to see Poland into the system of international relations.—Reuter.

POLAND REQUIREMENTS

LONDON. IN THE COURSE OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE ON POLISH FOREIGN POLICY, EXpressed THAT THE NATIONAL EFFORTS OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE BE EXTENDED

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Eleven pilot officers of the Royal Canadian Air Force have just arrived at Sealand R.A.F. aerodrome, Chester, to complete their flying training under the Anglo-Canadian cadet scheme.



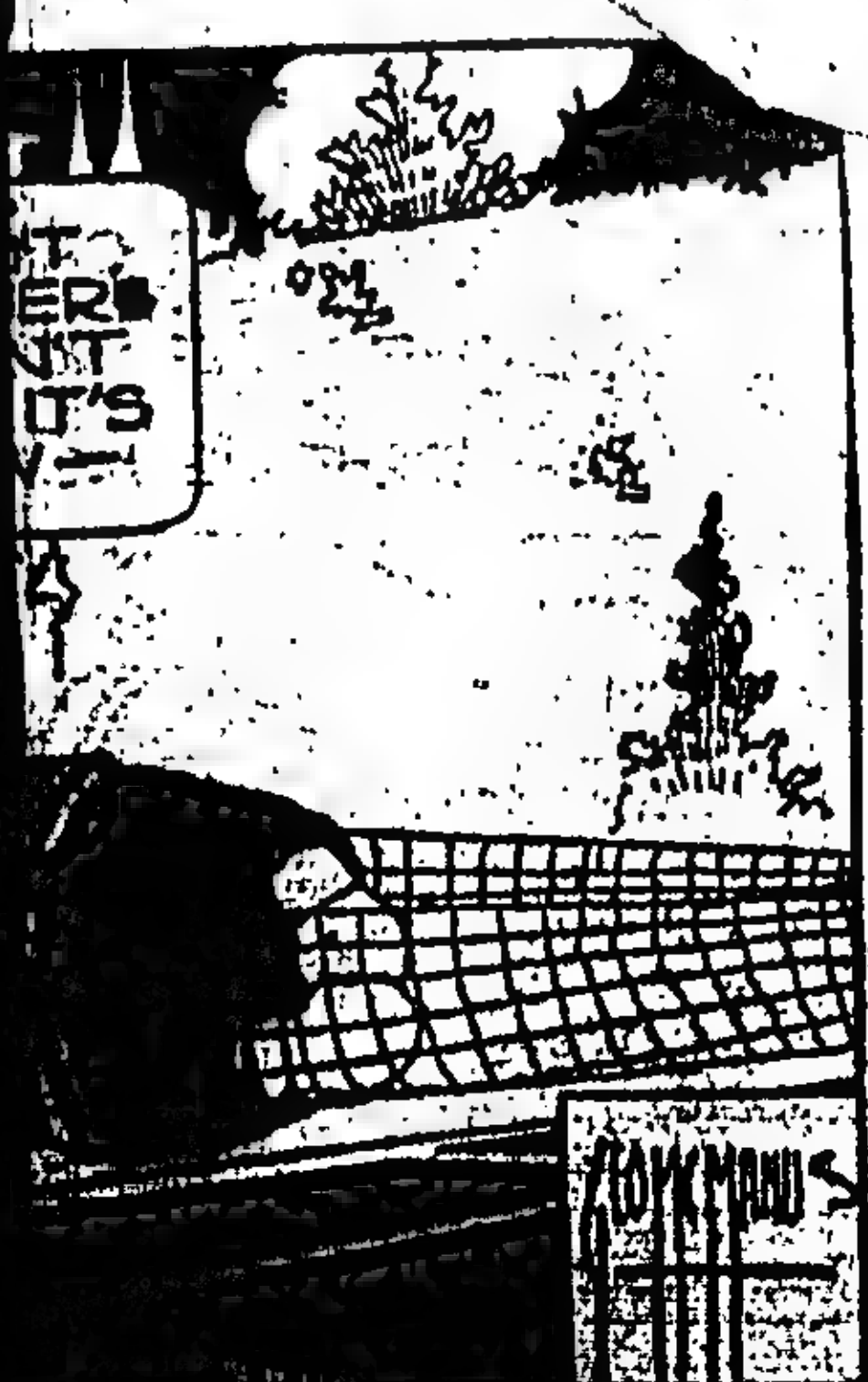
(Above)—"PASSPORTS" FOR DOGS. — Not many dog owners, when their dog is lost, can describe him in detail. The National Canine Defence League, realising this, has issued a special dog identification card. This is contained in a wallet which also holds licence, pedigree and photograph. Since the first of these were issued last November thousands have been applied for from all over England, and the wallet is to remain a permanent feature of the League's service. Photo shows an official of the National Canine Defence League making out a dog's "passport."

JEWS IN POLAND.

At the request of the Rumanian Government, Col. Beck also drew attention to the similar problem existing in Rumania.

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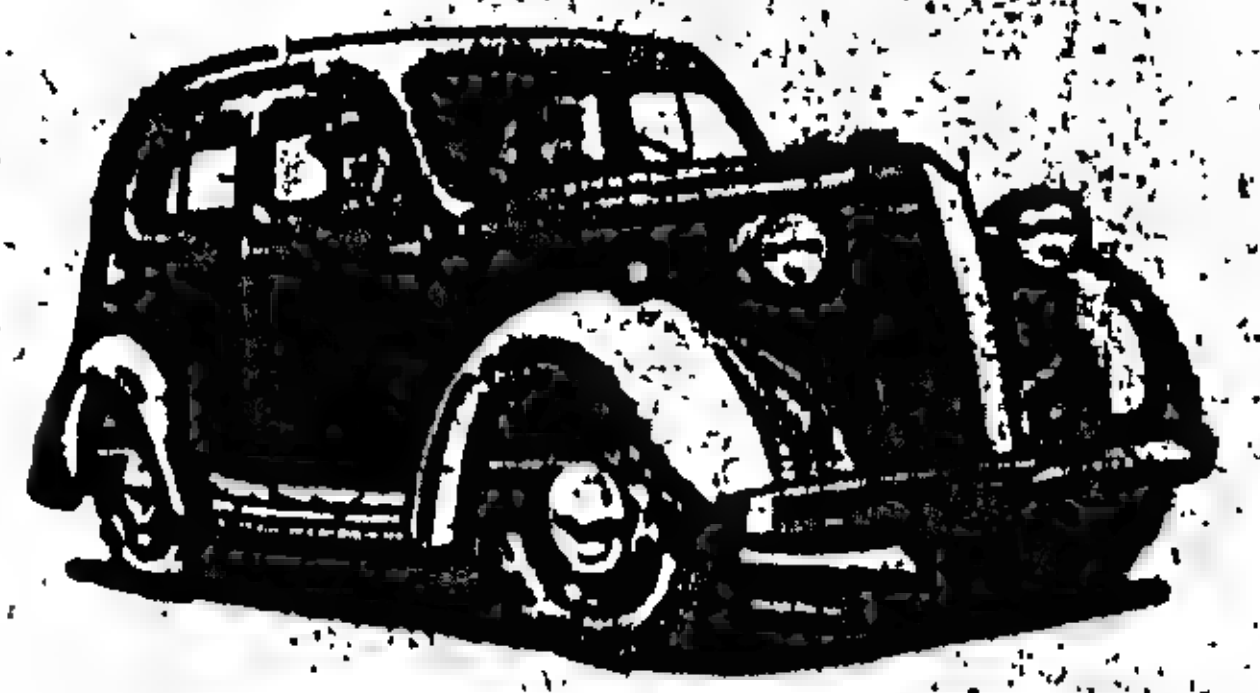
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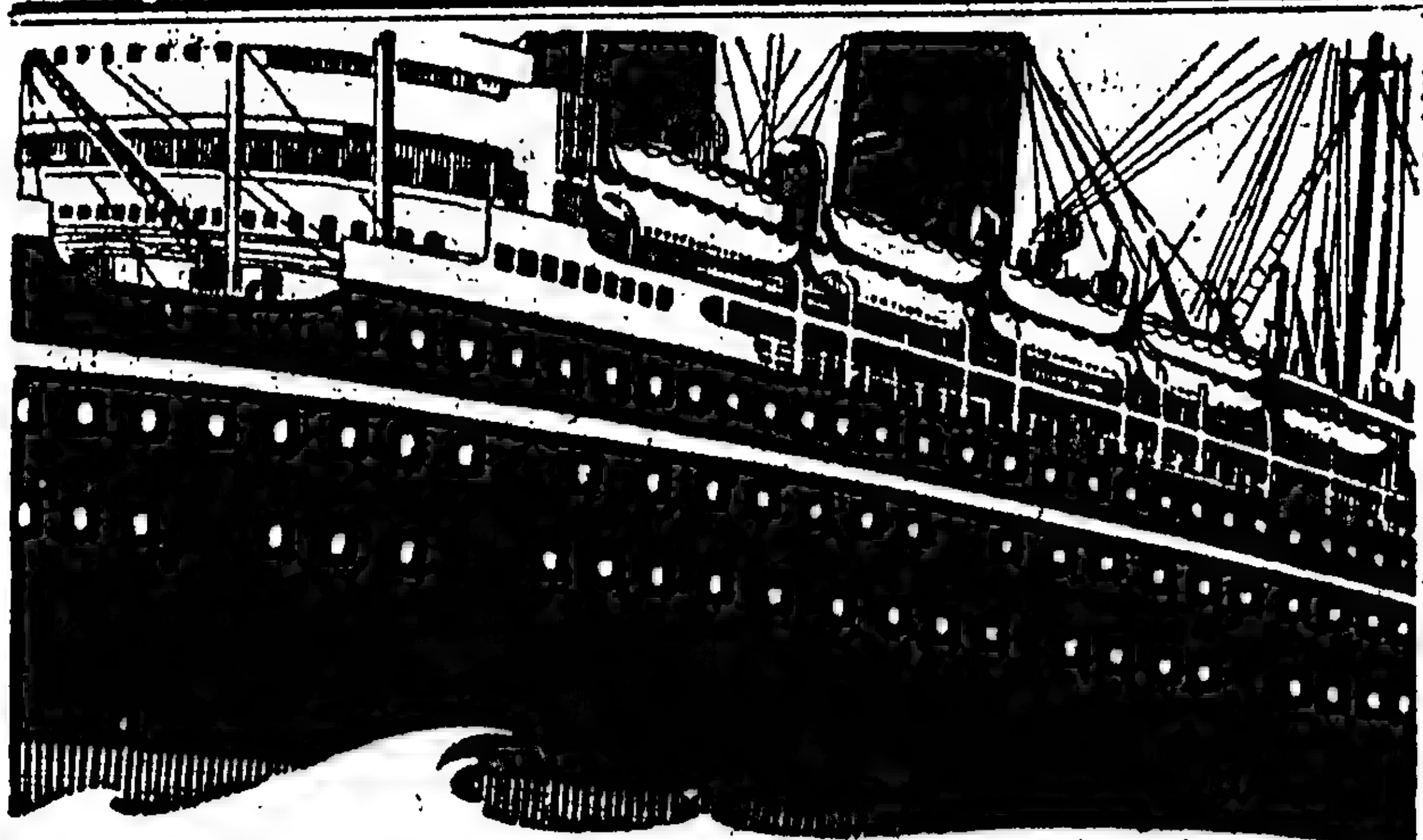
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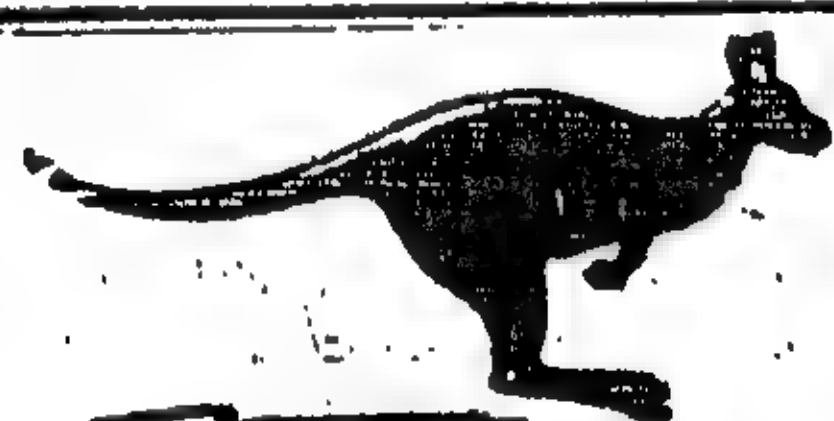
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*CARTHAGE.....	14,500	13th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BANGALORE.....	6,000	20th May	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*RAJPUTANA.....	17,000	27th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*RANCHI.....	17,000	10th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
†BHUTAN.....	6,000	17th June	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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RANCHI.....	17,000	10th May	Shanghai & Japan.
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All other Branch Post Offices and Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered and Ordinary Correspondence each day at 11.00 a.m.

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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st April.	Imperial Airways Plane.....	April 8.
Shanghai	Arendskerker.....	April 8.
Straits	Anhui.....	April 9.
Japan	Alpore.....	April 9.
Manila	Kres. Coolidge.....	April 10.
Straits	Teiresias.....	April 10.
Japan	Vitorlock.....	April 11.
Saigon	Laos.....	April 11.
Shanghai	Gienbeg.....	April 11.
Australia and Manila	Change.....	April 11.
Calcutta, Strait and Europe via Negapatam (Papers etc.) London date, 9th March.	Santhia.....	April 11.
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Shanghai and Swatow	Taiyuan.....	April 12.
Straits and Manila	Menestheus.....	April 12.
Saigon	Jean Laborde.....	April 12.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th April.	Imperial Airways Plane.....	April 12.
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U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 18th Mar.).	Pres. Adams.....	April 13.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 24th Mar.).	Pres. Taft.....	April 13.
Japan	Rakuyo Maru.....	April 14.
Manila	Neptuna.....	April 15.

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Manila	Emp. of Canada.....	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Fort Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kaying.....	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Saigon	Shunchih.....	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Bangkok	Hank.....	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Shanghai	Nellore.....	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
SUNDAY		
Swatow and Foochow	Hupei.....	Apr. 9, 9.00 a.m.
MONDAY		
Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang.....	Mon., Apr. 10, Noon.
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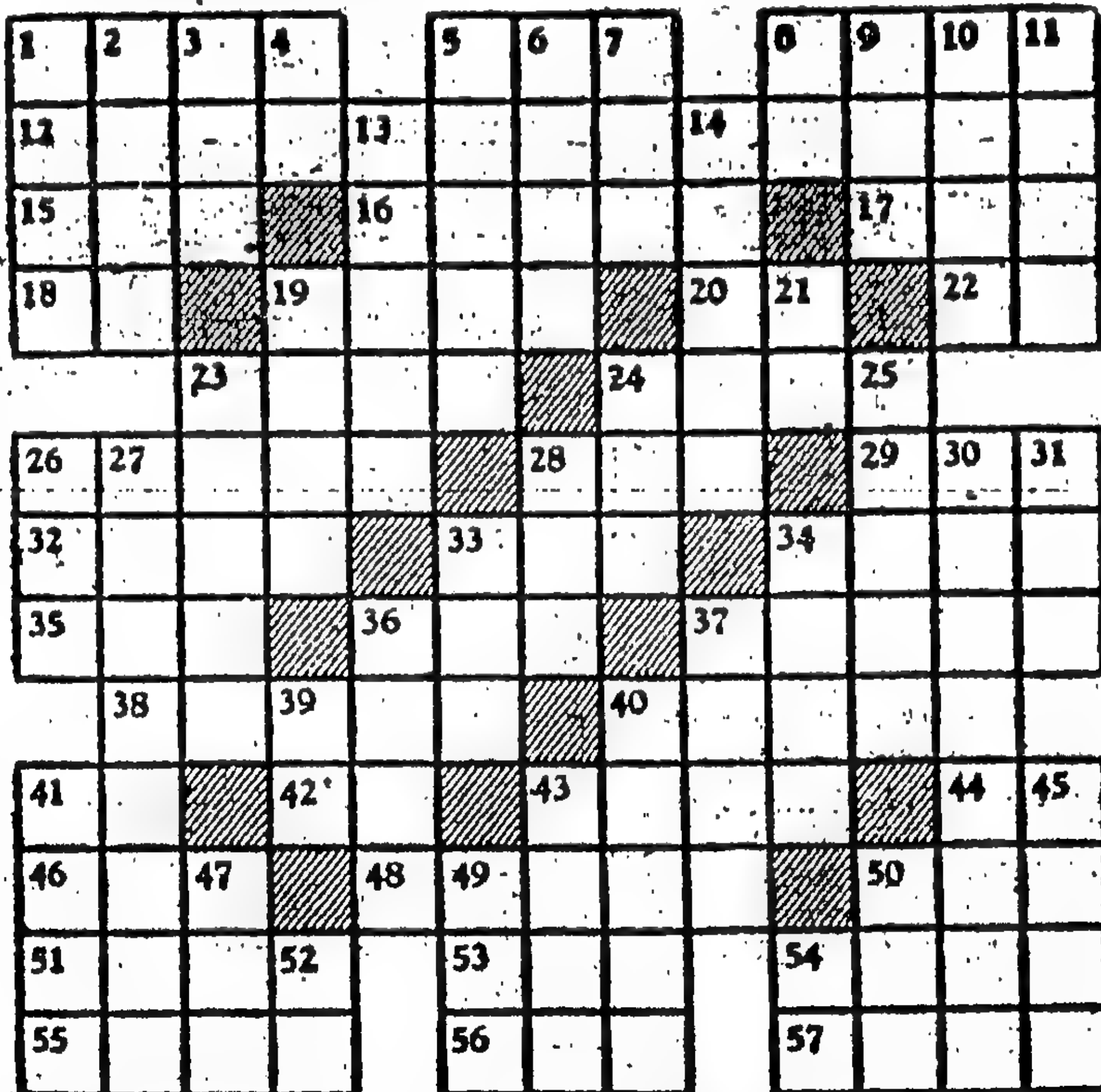
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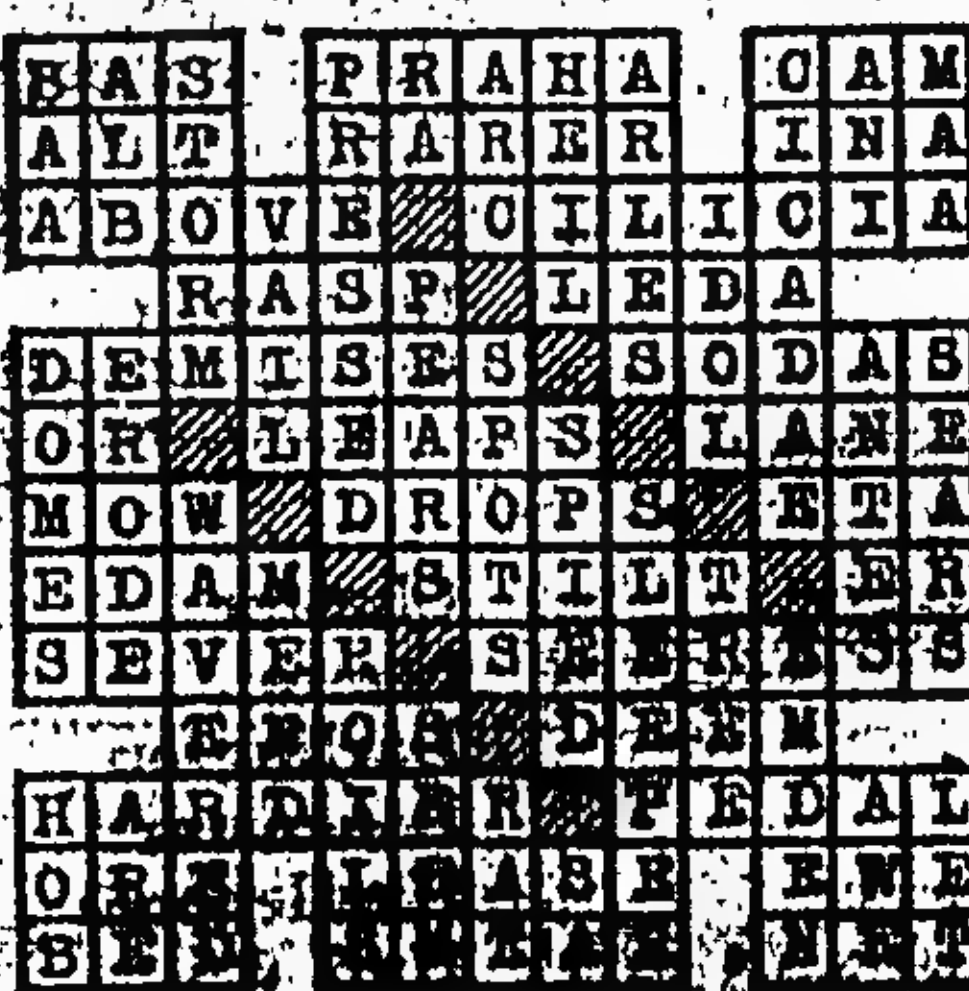
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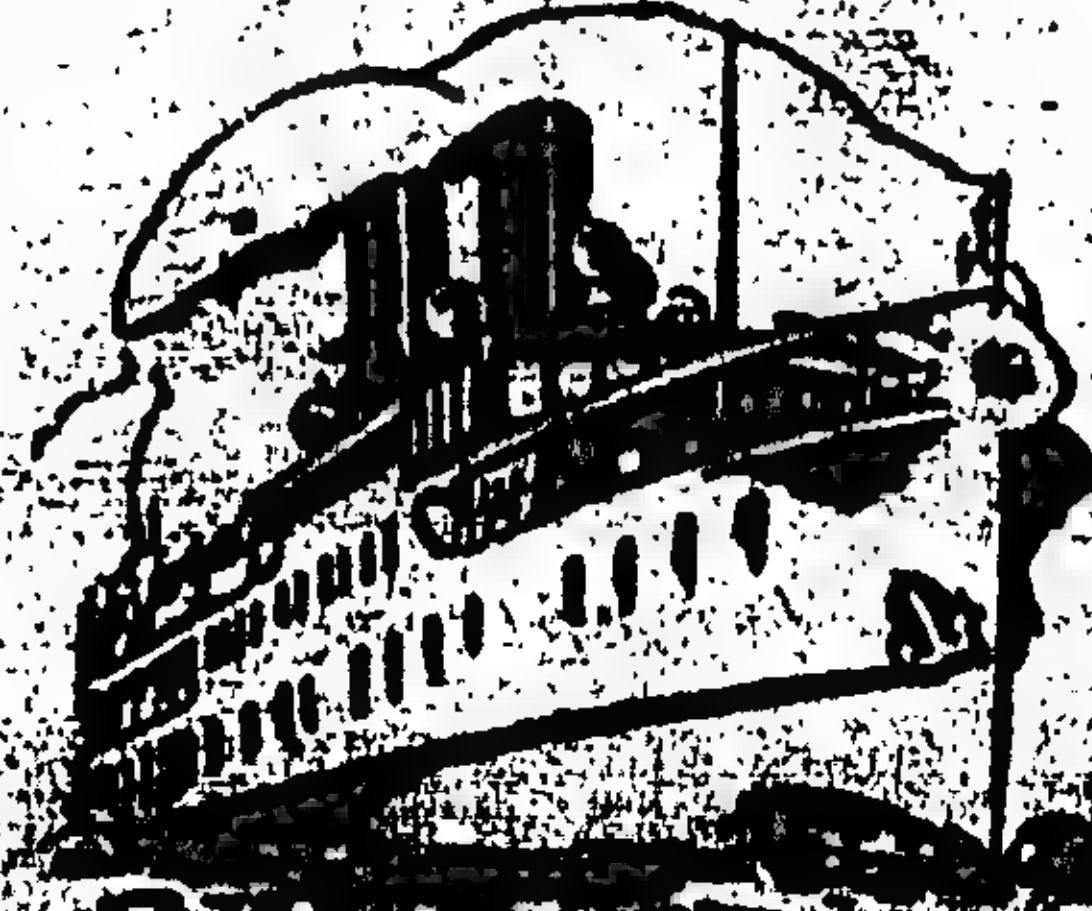
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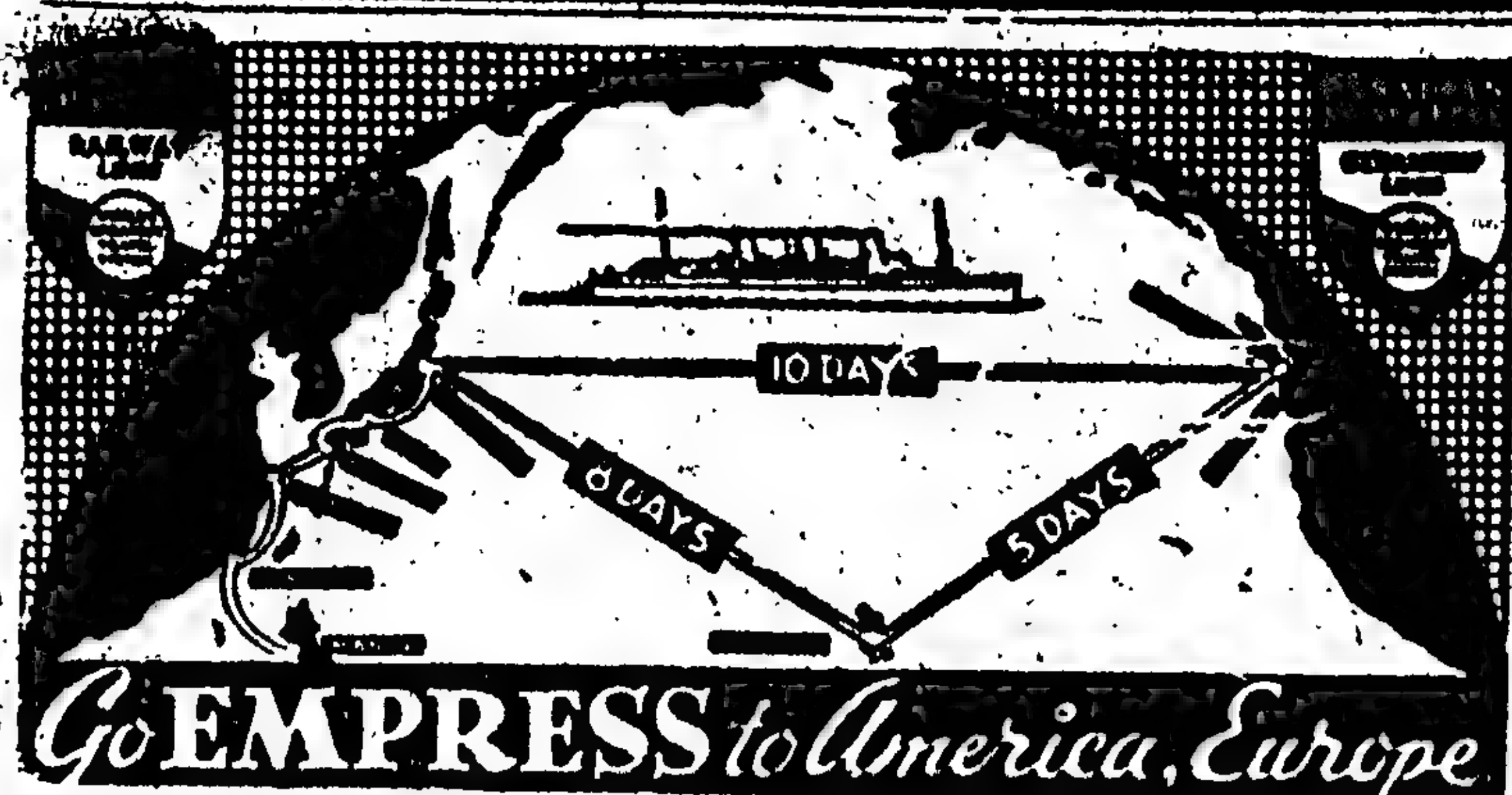
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Sunderland	1	Everton	2

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Orders by Lieut. Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, 7th April, 1939.

HOLIDAYS

Corps Headquarters will be closed for the Easter Holidays from Friday, 7th to Monday, 10th April, inclusive.

PARADES

1st Battery

Thursday, 13th April, Pakshawan. Manning exercise. Only those detailed will parade. Bus leaves Queen's Pier, Statue Square 5.45 p.m. Dress—overalls, S.D. cap and gun platform shoes. Haversack rations will be provided by Corps H.Q.

Left Section.—Thursday, 13th April. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Miniature Range. Right Section.—Friday, 14th April. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Arms drill—Dress—overalls, S.D. cap, web belt and frog.

2nd Battery

Wednesday, 12th April. H.Q. Lecture Room. 5.30 p.m. Lecture—Defence against gas.

Engineer Company

D.E.L. Section.—Thursday, 13th April, Pakshawan. Manning. Dress—overalls and blue cap. Bus leaves Queen's Pier, Statue Square 5.45 p.m. Haversack rations will be provided by Corps H.Q.

Lyon Light Section.—Sunday, 9th April. Talkoo Range. 1.30 p.m. Rifle Table A. Dress—optional, but musketry order must be worn.

Thursday, 13th April. H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Musketry.

Corps Signals

Tuesday, 11th April. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Signal training.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject: "Are Sin,
Disease, And
Death Real?"

SUBJECT—ARE SIN, DISEASE, AND DEATH REAL?

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-morrow 8th April will be "Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?"

The Golden Text will be:—"I am the Lord that healeth thee". (Exodus 15: 26).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise. In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death. Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey, whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life". (Jer. 17: 7 & 14; Prov. 12: 28; Rom. 6: 16 & 22).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:—"All reality is in God and His creation, harmonious and eternal. That which He creates is good, and He makes all that is made. Therefore the only reality of sin, sickness, or death is the awful fact that unrealities seem real to human erring belief, until God strips off their disguise. They are not true, because they are not of God. We learn in Christian Science that all inharmonious of mortal mind of body, is illusion, possessing neither reality nor identity though seeming to be real and identical. If Christian Science takes away the popular gods, sin, sickness, and death,—it is Christ, Truth, who destroys these evils, and so proves their nothingness. He that touches the hem of Christ's robe and masters his mortal beliefs, animality, and hate, rejoices in the proof of healing—in the sweet, and certain sense that God is Love". (pages 478, 447, and 569).

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"Mingsang"	16th Apr. Noon		
"Easang"	19th Apr. Noon		
"Fausang"	21st Apr. 10 a.m.		
"Chaksang"	23rd Apr. Noon		
"Taksang"	26th Apr. 3 p.m.		
"Kwaisang"	28th Apr. Noon		

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"Wosang"	29th Apr. 3 p.m.

To HAIPHONG.

"Taisang"	13th Apr. 5 p.m.
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Machine Gun Troop
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M.G. training.
Armoured Car Section
Tuesday, 11th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
I. & R.
Friday, 14th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
M.G. training.
Motor Machine Gun Platoon
Friday, 14th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
Lecture—Care and maintenance of motor cycle engines.
No. 1 M.G. Company
Friday, 14th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
M.G. training.
No. 2 M.G. Company
Thursday, 13th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
M.G. training.
No. 4 M.G. Company
Sunday, 9th April: Peak Range. 9.30 a.m. No. 15 Platoon.
Wednesday, 12th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
Nos. 13 and 14 Platoons, lecture—M.G. duties in defence. No. 15 Platoon musketry. Those detailed for Kennedy Road parade at 5.15 p.m.
Sunday, 16th April: Stonecutters Rifle Table A. No. 15 Platoon.
Portuguese Companies
Friday, 14th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
No. 5 M.G. Company. N.C.O.'s, Pt. 1 M.G. (1st Section). Remainder, night firing training. A.A. Company, field signals.
Machine Gun Signals
Friday, 14th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
D/R. Section. Mechanics' instruction. Riding instruction during week as per roster.
Air Arm
Thursday, 13th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
Lecture—air navigation.
Medical Section
Wednesday, 12th April: H.Q. Officers 5.30 p.m. Other Ranks, 6.00 p.m. Use of Thomas splint.
Pay Section
Friday, 14th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
Construction Section, R.O.D.C.
Thursday, 13th April: H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
Derricks, sheers and gins.
TRANSFERS
No. 1881, Sgt. G. H. Fowler, from M.M.G. Pl. to Air Arm.—6.4.39.
No. 2161, L/C. B. M. Hynes, from M.M.G. Pl. to Air Arm.—6.4.39.
LEAVE
No. 2743, Pte. M. A. Berruex, No. 1 M.G. Coy.—1.4.39-31.10.39.
No. 2775, Gnr. H. M. Alawdin, 1st Bty., Left. Sec.—7.4.39-7.9.39.
STRENGTH—DECREASE
No. 2932, Pte. R. N. Albrecht, Armd. C. Sec.—28.12.38.
No. 2789, Tpr. R. F. Winfield, M.G. Troop.—31.1.39.
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No. 3056, Pte. A. Keown, No. 2 M.G. Coy.—1.4.39.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to Thursday's puzzle: The initials of ace, ice, reindeer, eye, derby, apple, leaf, and ear will spell "AIRDALE."

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No. 3327, Pte. J. S. Ho, No. 3 M.G. Coy.—5.4.39.

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Miss G. B. Lakeman—1.1.39.
Miss J. M. Lakeman—1.1.39.
Miss D. Horlock—1.3.39.
Mrs. E. M. Williams—28.3.39.
Miss M. E. A. Burkhardt—6.4.39.
Strength—Increase
Mrs. G. G. Simmans—24.3.39.
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NEXT WEEK'S LAWN TENNIS PROGRAMME

The following is the programme for next week's Colony Championship and Club Handicap events on the H.K.C.C. courts, giving the number of the court on which the match is being played:

TUESDAY
Open Singles
Tsui Yun-pui v. A. Crawford (4).
Open Doubles
Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau v. T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff (Stand Court); Lim Thian-tet and Stephen Wong v. A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (8).

Club Championship
H. J. Armstrong v. Lt. J. S. Theobald (7).

Club Handicap Singles
T. J. Price (-1.6) v. W. Wooding (scr.) (1); T. J. Gould (-15) v. L. Goldman (-30) (6).

Handicap Mixed Doubles
Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Walkden (+2.6) v. H. J. Scull and Miss G. Scull (+3.6) (2); W. Sander and Miss A. Tylor (-15) v. V. R. Gordon and Mrs. She-wan (-3.6) (8).

WEDNESDAY
Open Singles
I. M. A. Razack v. Lee Wai-tong (8).

Open Doubles
Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui (holders) v. Lim Thian-tet and Stephen Wong or A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (Stand Court).

Club Handicap Doubles
H. J. Scull and Comdr. H. T. Rust (+2.6) v. T. C. Moraghan and V. R. Gordon (-3.6) (2); H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow (-2.6) v. E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson (-5.6) (4).

Handicap Mixed Doubles
Mr. and Mrs. L. Goldman (-15) v. Lt. J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill (-1.6) (3).

THURSDAY
Open Singles
Tsui Wai-pui (holder) v. H. D. Rüm-jahn (Stand Court); S. W. Liang v. Ho Ka-lau (8).

Club Handicap Doubles
J. Thomson and R. G. Biesel (-1.6) v. W. Sander and T. J. Gould (-15) (2); R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloy (scr.) v. E. A. R. Newton and W. Wooding (+1.6) (3); R. C. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie (-1.6) v. H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow (-2.6) or E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson (-5.6) (4).



FRIDAY
Open Singles
S. A. Rümjahn v. Lim Thian-to (Stand Court).

Open Doubles
Major F. C. Nottingham and Cap. R. B. Lecky v. Lee Yue-wing and H. Ka-lau or T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff (8).

Club Championship
E. E. Story v. V. R. Gordon (4); J. J. Ferguson v. W. Sander (7).

Club Handicap Singles
H. J. Armstrong (-15) v. T. J. Price (-1.6) or W. Wooding (scr.) (2); A. T. Dow (-2.6) v. J. L. C. Pearce (scr.) (3); H. D. Bidwell (-1.6) v. T. J. Gould (-15) or L. Goldman (-30) (6).

TO-DAY'S TWO HOCKEY MATCHES

C.B.A. Ladies will meet Hong Kong Ladies in a Brawn Cup fixture on their home ground at King's Park, to-day commencing at 3 p.m.

At 4.15 p.m., European Y.M.C.A. first eleven will meet the All-India International eleven in a return fixture on the "Y" ground. "Y" won the first game last Tuesday by 3 goals to 2.

Educational Display Against Remarkable Retrieving

MATCH ABANDONED IN THIRD SET

IN a game featured by the remarkable retrieving powers of Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing and the consistent overhead work of W. A. H. Duff, the Open Doubles tennis tie played on Thursday on the Stand Court had to be abandoned with scores (the Chinese pair given first) at 15-13, 0-6, 5-all.

That gruelling first set which lasted just an hour was one of the most extraordinary ever seen in the local tournament. The Chinese pair, leading 5-3, appeared to have matters well in hand. Whenever they needed a point they lobbed to Alec Pearce and he, almost without fail, obligingly placed the ball in the net.

However, Pearce, realising his limitations, played the right game from this time onwards — a very unselfish one I might say. It is far from pleasant to be virtually a passenger whilst leaving as much as possible to one's partner. When the opposition are concentrating



on one in no uncertain manner, it becomes even more embarrassing.

Pearce, for a period, adopted just those tactics. Duff went for everything overhead and gave one of the finest exhibitions of smashing I have ever been privileged to see. He banged them down from all parts of the court. Lee and Ho were reduced to scuttling desperately up and down the back screen retrieving. They did this with singular success. From the hardest smash, back came a perfect-length lob and this went on and on!

MARATHON SET

So did the set. From about the tenth game, all players held their services and not till the set had been in progress an hour and all four were looking heated, was a break-through finally made on Pearce's service and the Chinese pair went out.

The next set proved rather an anticlimax. The British pair playing steadily—Duff at times rising to great heights of brilliance—won it to love. With everything pointing to an easy victory for Duff and Pearce, however, Duff, evidently worried by the falling light, started to make errors overhead and Lee and Ho, persisting in their campaign of lobbing, wiped off a lead of 4-2 and led 5-4 only to be overhauled.

The game was then abandoned and by mutual arrangement will be played over at some future date.

Individually Duff was the dominating figure. He gave a really first-class display in which his crisp volleying, fine overhead and searing forehand drives were outstanding features. Had Pearce been in better form overhead, Duff might have been seen to even better advantage.

PEARCE'S "SMASHING"

Pearce, while obviously lacking in experience, gave an exceedingly promising performance and should in time be very good. His deplorable smashing, I attribute to the fact that he never gave himself time to have a good look at the ball before trying to "kill" outright anything in the nature of a lob.

Had he adopted, at the outset, the policy he pursued in the later stages—that of just getting lobs back—I have little doubt that he would have got going with his smashing later on.

In other phases of the game he was good. His volleying, while not being very crisp, was sound and he scored repeatedly with a well-placed forehand drive.

On the other side, Ho Ka-lau showed that he is just as good as he ever was. Pearce driving on the forehand, powerful driving and, of course, his lobbing, all contributed to an excellent performance.

PASSIVE RESISTANCE

Apart from the fact that he was steady at the right times, there is little that can be said about Lee's game. He never rose to any heights of brilliance, his contribution being entirely one of passive resistance.

The replay should be very interesting, but I have little doubt in my own mind that Duff and Pearce will win—probably easily.

Rapier's Selections For To-day

RACE NO. 1
DEKKO
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Outsider:—Plain View

RACE NO. 2
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ENGLISH CAVALIER
GALVESTON BAY
Outsider:—Hectic View

RACE NO. 3
LUCKY LAD
COURTING EVE
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Outsider:—Double Finesse

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WILD BEAR
PALL MALL
Outsider:—Kut Cheung

RACE NO. 8
RISING STAR
A ROARING TIME
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Outsider:—Winfred

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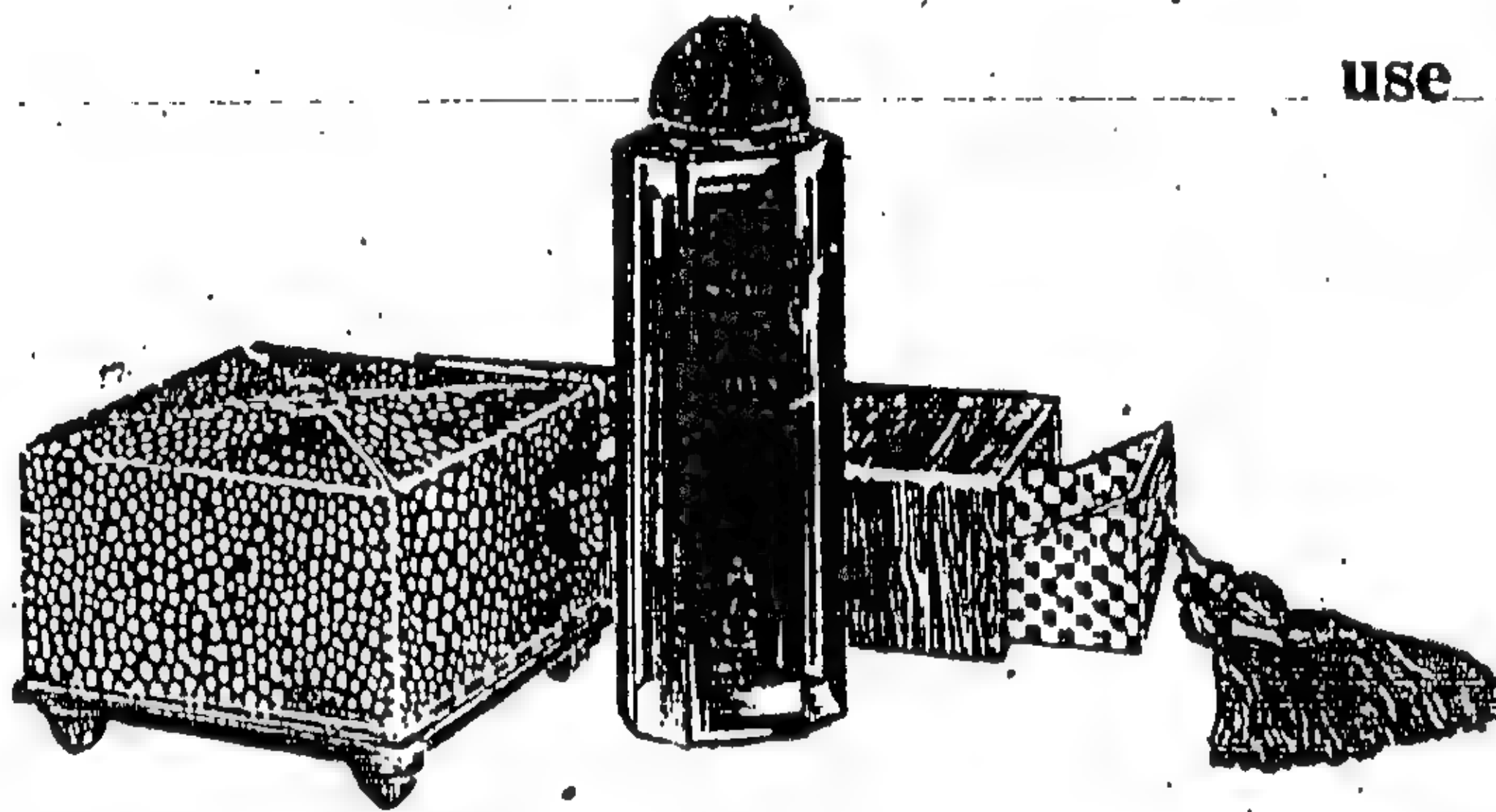
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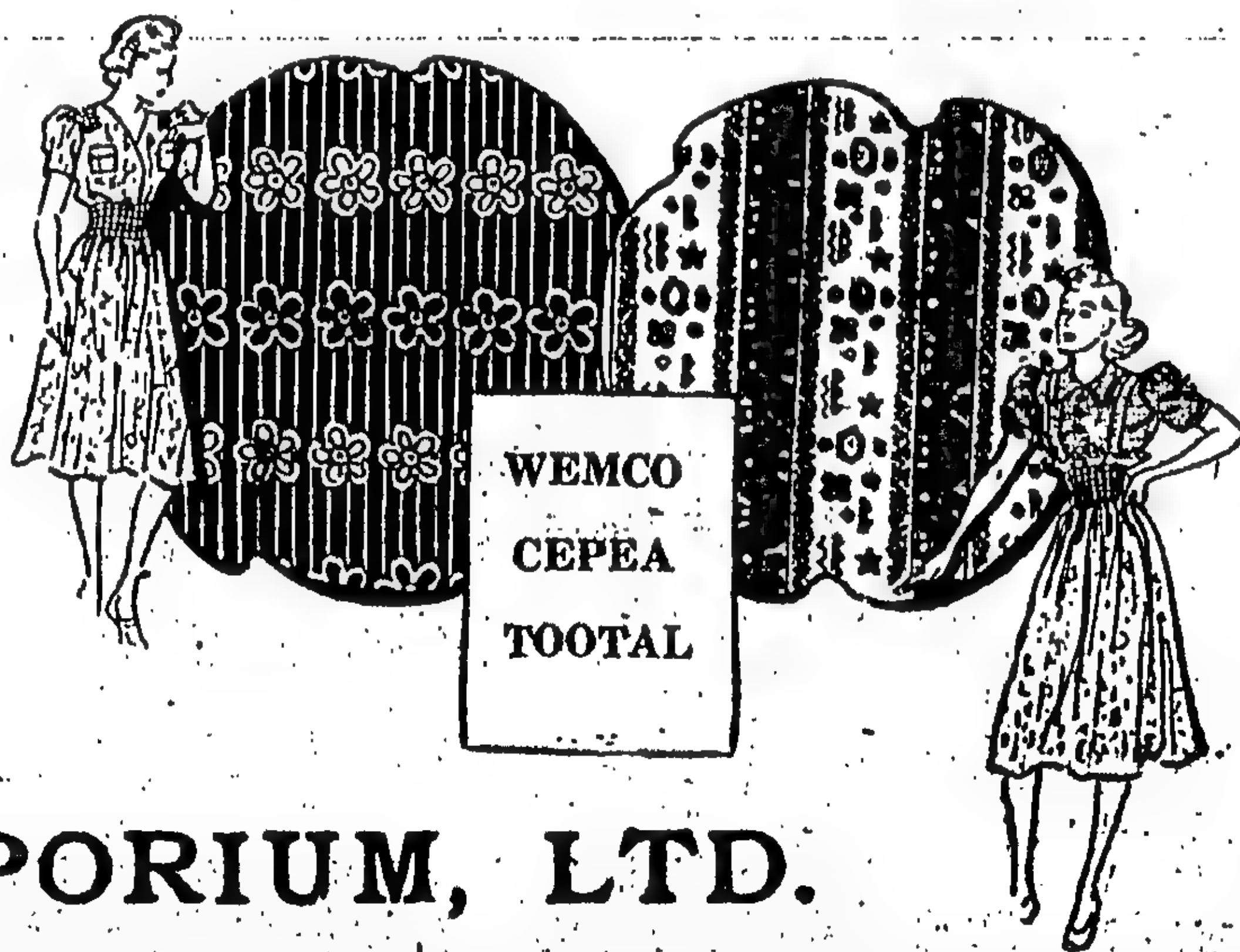
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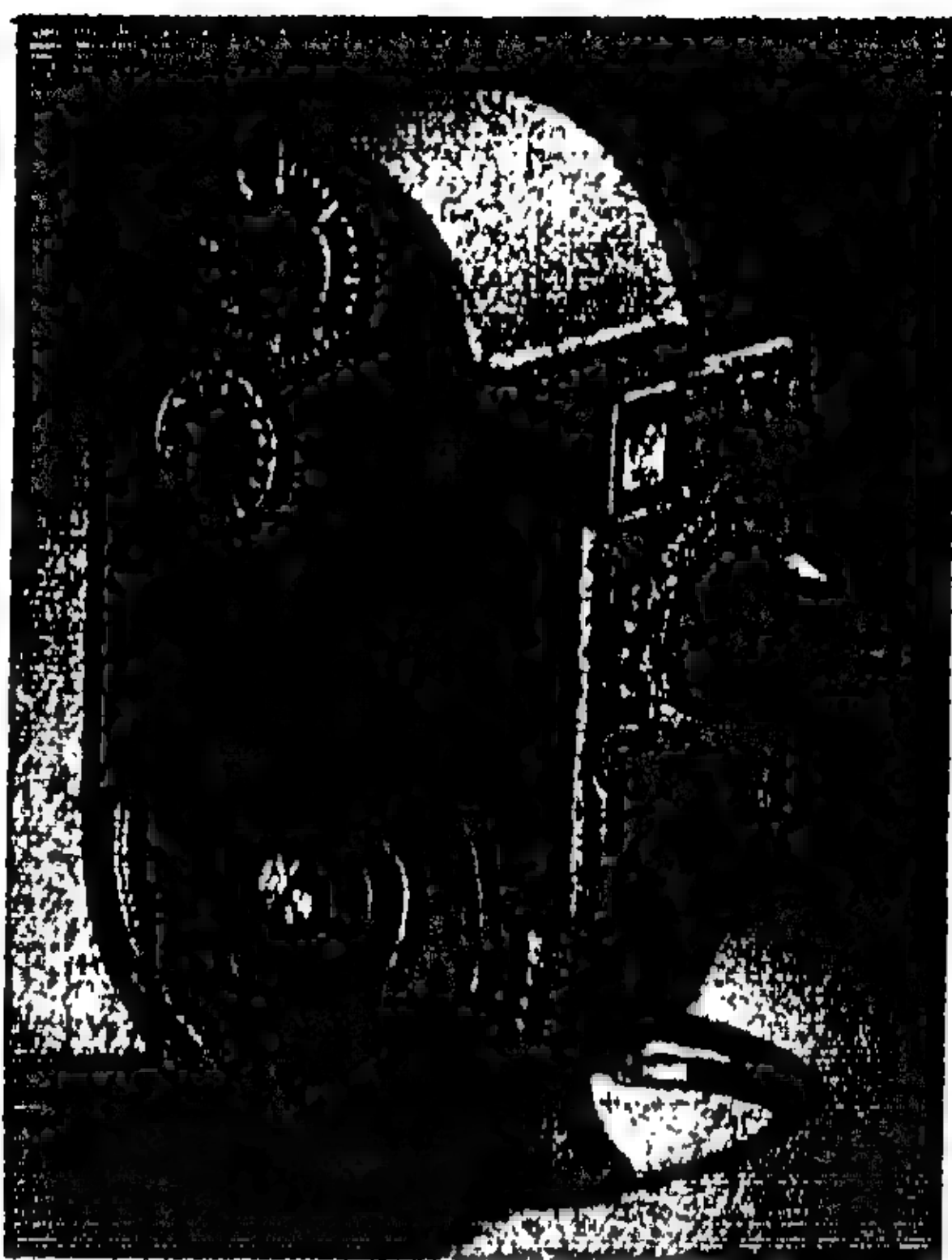
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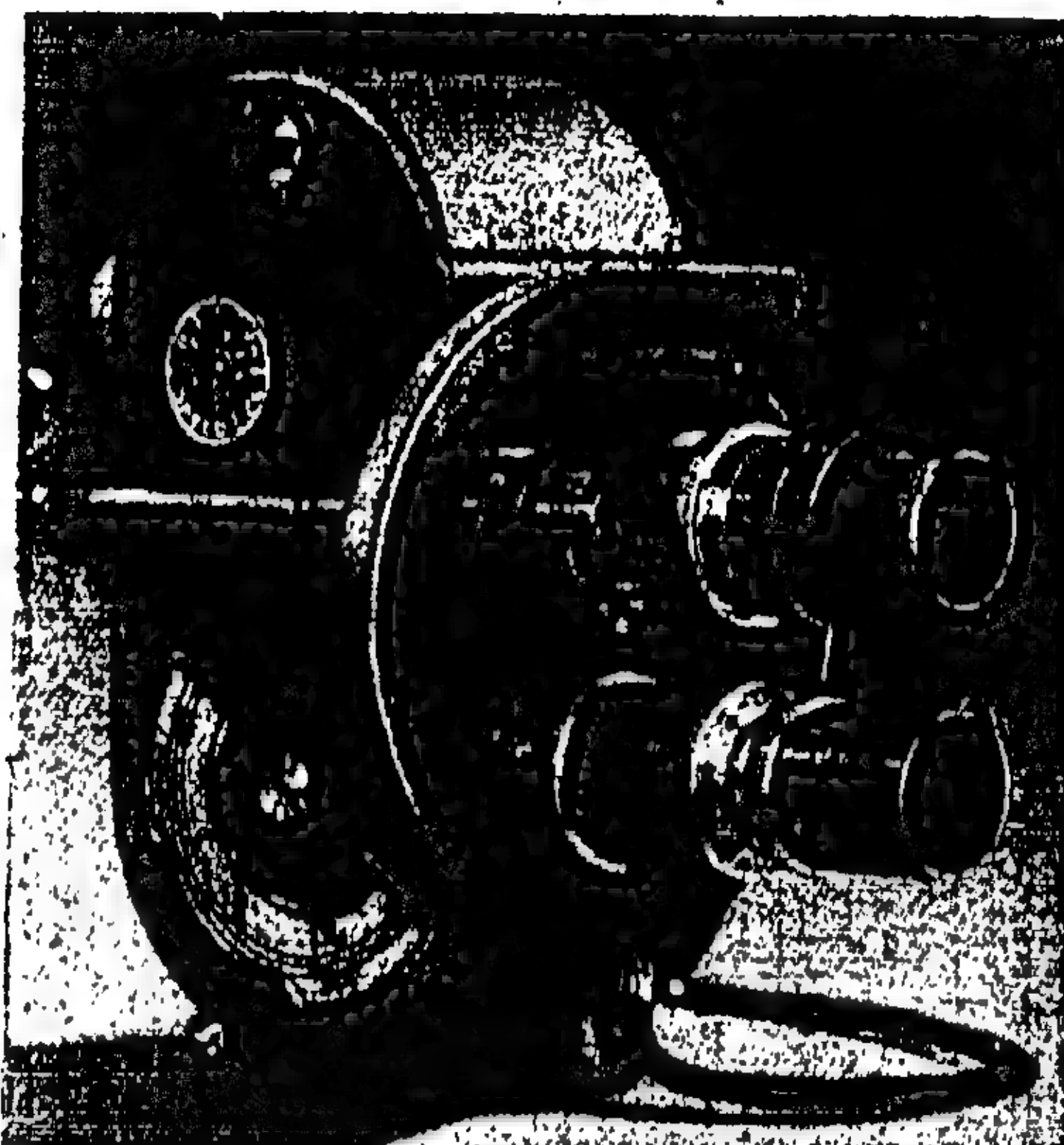
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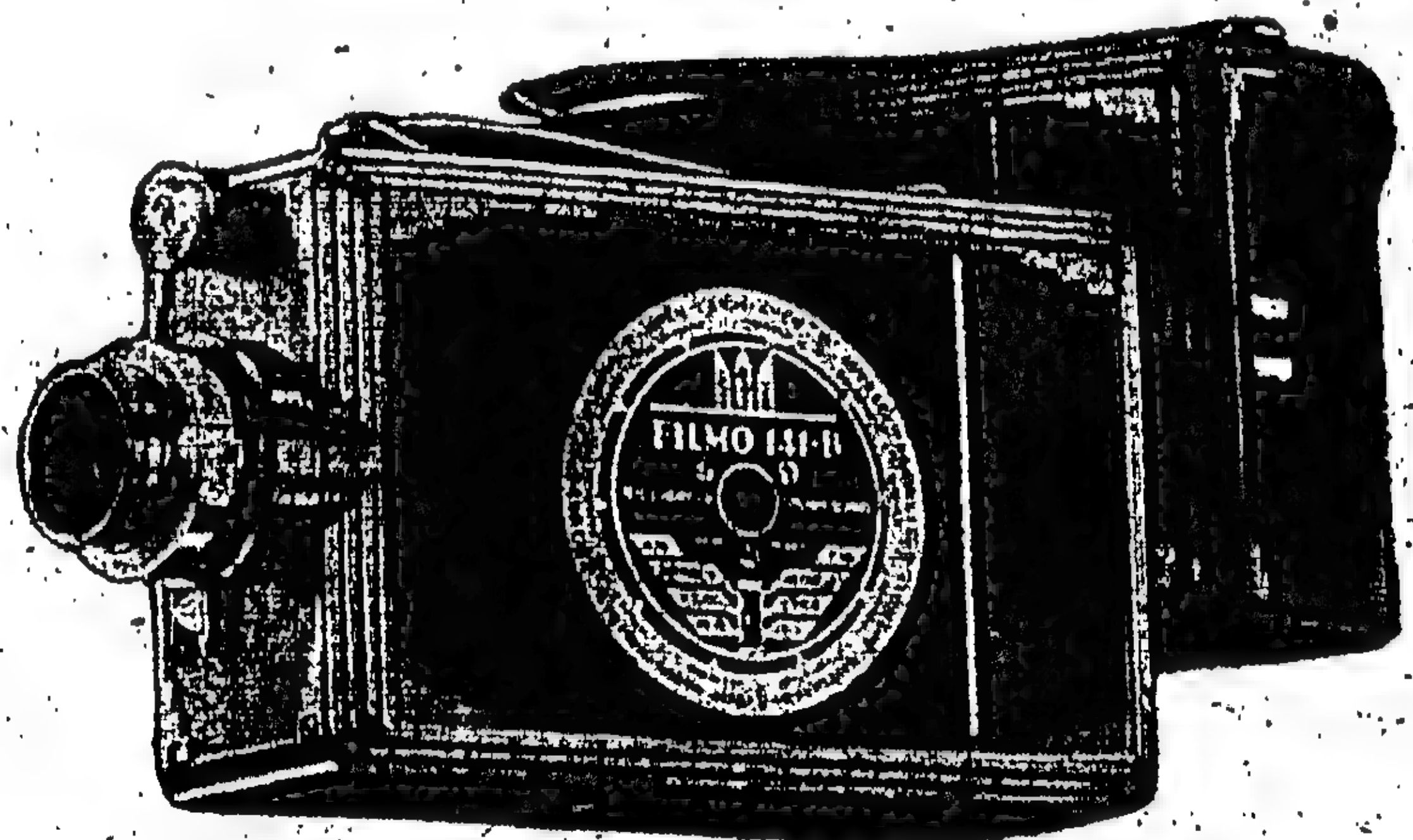
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The following time guide gives all placed ponies, weights, jockeys, won by and time, during the five days of the Annual Race Meeting and the 1st Extra Race Meeting:

CHINA PONIES

- Half Mile**
0.58.3 (record)—Portrush (Encarnacao, 155); 2, Ring Master (Tao, 158); 3, Kut Cheong (Wei, 152). 2 & neck. (A.M. 1).
0.58.4—Strathbannock (Gregory, 161); 2, Radium Star (Marshall, 155); 3, King's Envoy (Needa, 158). 2 & ½. (A.M. 1).
0.58.4—Willynilly (Chao, 155); 2, Magog (Needa, 158); 3, Talkative (Tao, 158). 1½ & 1. (A.M. 1).
Half Mile and 170 Yards
1.05.0 (record)—Desert Chief (Encarnacao, 161); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Bear Claw (Wei, 161). 2½ & 1. (A.M. 1).
1.06.2—Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 2, Evo of Heaven (Marshall, 161); 3, Avon (Hearne, 161). 2 & 2. (A.M. 2).
1.07.2—Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 161); 2, Galveston Bay (Wei, 161); 3, Peaceful View (Pih, 161). 3 & 2. (A.M. 3).
1.09.4—Marksman (Wong, 158); 2, Guinness Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 3, Magog (Needa, 158). 1½ & 2. (A.M. 2).
1.11.4—Desert Star (S. W. Pan, 155); 2, Dekko (P. Y. T. Wei, 161); 3, Guinness Time (C. Encarnacao, 158). Neck and head. (1st E.).

- Six Furlongs**
1.28.4 (record)—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Lilliber (Black, 161); 3, Blue Express (Poy, 161). Many & neck. (A.M. 1).
1.26.1—King's Warden (V. V. Needa, 161); 2, Humdrum Eve (H. C. Pih, 161); 3, Oak Bay (B. A. Proulx, 161). 2 and same (1st E.).
1.28.0—Blue Express (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Avon (Hearne, 161); 3, Galveston Bay (Wei, 161). 4 & ½. (A.M. 4).
1.28.8—Musketeer (Liang, 162); 2, Marksman (Wong, 158); 3, Orange Boven (Encarnacao, 158). 2 & 3. (A.M. 1).
1.28.4—Avon (G. Treverton, 151); 2, Peaceful View (K. I. Ip, 161); 3, Jennifer (R. M. Wood, 161). Neck and 2 (1st E.).
1.30.4—King Kong (Liang, 161); 2, Bressay (Hearne, 161); 3, Guinness Time (Pote-Hunt, 158). Head & same. (A.M. 4).
7 Furlongs 45 Yards
1.45.2—Red Feather (Wei, 161); 2, Moonlight View (Pih, 161); 3, Humdrum Eve (T. L. Wong, 161). 1½ & short head. (A.M. 4).
One Mile
1.55.1—Desert Chief (Encarnacao, 161); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Bear Claw (Black, 161). 3 & 2. (A.M. 2).
1.57.1—Hyndford Bridge (Needa, 158); 2, Jennifer (Black, 161); 3, Galaxy (Chao, 158). 1½ &

- 1½. (A.M. 2).
1.57.2—New Star (Marshall, 155); 2, Moonlight View (Pih, 144); 3, Humdrum Eve (T. L. Wong, 165). Short head, same. (A.M. 3).
1.58.3—Lilliber (D. Black, 166); 2, Peaceful View (H. C. Pih, 158); English Cavalier (C. Encarnacao, 154). 3 and 1½. (A.M. 5).
2.01.1—Tampa Bay (Black, 168); 2, Scenic View (Pih, 147); 3, King's Lead (Needa, 142). Short head & short head. (A.M. 1).
2.01.2—King Kong (B. L. Tao, 155); 2, Strathbannock (D. Black, 154); 3, Musketeer (P. Y. T. Wei, 168). 2 and 4 (1st E.).
2.01.4—Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 165); 2, Bistre (Chanson, 160); 3, Salvage Master (Tao, 165). 4 & 2. (A.M. 2).
2.01.4—Galaxy (Chao, 158); 2, Blue Diamond (Woo, 158); 3, Forgotten Star (Pan, 161). Neck & 1½. (A.M. 3).
2.04.0—Chatterbox (C. Encarnacao, 155); 2, February Fourth (T. L. Wong, 155); 3, Matador (S. C. Liang, 161). 2 and 2 (A.M. 5).
2.04.2—Orange Boven (Encarnacao, 158); 2, Milleaye (Needa, 155); 3, Phoenix (Li, 155). 4 & neck. (A.M. 4).
2.04.4—This Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 2, Tiny Tim (Proulx, 152); 3, Wild Bear (Pih, 152). 2 & 1 (A.M. 3).
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AUSTRALIAN PONIES

- Six Furlongs**
1.18.3—Vixen Tor (Proulx, 152); 2, Criffel (Needa, 155); 3, Strathcarrick (Gregory, 145). 8 & head. (A.M. 3).
1.19.1—Cockleroi (Needa, 152); 2, Devonian (Hearne, 155); 3, Triumphant Day (Tao, 150). Neck & 2. (A.M. 1).
1.22.0—Victory Day (Tao, 150); 2, Rivulet (Pih, 152); 3, Rising Star (Marshall, 152). Short head & 2. (A.M. 1).
Half Mile 170 Yards
1.01.3—Bredon (B. A. Proulx, 155); 2, A Great Time (V. V. Needa, 152); 3, Strathcarrick (C. L. Gregory, 152). 3 and 2. (A.M. 5).
1.03.0—Sydney Lad (Proulx, 155); 2, Victory Day (Tao, 152); 3, Rising Star (Marshall, 152). ½ & 2. (A.M. 3).
One Mile
1.46.3—Blandford (Poy, 147); 2, Snowy River (Hearne, 148); 3, Vixen Tor (Proulx, 149). Neck & ½. (A.M. 1).
1.47.2—King's Privilege (V. V. Needa, 146); 2, Criffel (B. A. Proulx, 155); 3, A Great Time (T. Y. Woo, 150). ½ and short head. (1st E.).
1.49.2—Rivulet (Pih, 152); 2, Laffat That (Happy Landings) (Davies, 152); 3, Devonian (Hearne, 155). 1½ & 1½. (A.M. 2).
1.49.3—Chiltern (C. Encarnacao, 155); 2, Devonian (D. Black, 155); 3, National Victory (S. W. Tang, 152). 1 and 2 (1st E.).
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CHINA PONIES

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- 2.05.2—Sylvandale (A. D. Conpin, 165); 2, Flybynight (Ho Hong-ping, 147); 3, Ebony Idol (Trevelton, 140). Neck & neck (A.M. 4).
- 2.06.0—Starlet (P. L. Chiu, 158); 2, Sports Venture (C. Encarnacao, 158); 3, Wilber (D. Black, 162) $\frac{1}{2}$ and 2. (A.M. 5).
- 2.06.1—Marksman (T. L. Wong, 165); 2, Portrush (Encarnacao, 162); 3, Chatterbox (Tao, 156). 5 & neck. (A.M. 3).
- 2.09.3—Silver Star (B. L. Tao, 156); 2, Smiling Time (C. Encarnacao, 155); 3, Pall Mall (S. L. Yuen, 158). Neck and head. (1st E.). 1 Mile 171 Yards
- 1.59.4—Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158); 2, Lilliber (Black, 161); 3, Peaceful View (Pih, 161). 3 & 1. (A.M. 4).
- 2.00.3—Honeymoon Eve (T. L. Wong, 161); 2, Just In Time (Pote-Hunt, 161). 4. (A.M. 4).
- 2.05.2—Bistre (Chanson, 155); 2, Dekko (Hearne, 155); 3, Desert Star (Needa, 150). 2 & 1. (A.M. 4).
- 2.07.4—Rob Roy (C. Encarnacao, 152); 2, King's Warden (V. V. Needa, 168); 3, Oak Bay (B. A. Proulx, 144). $\frac{1}{2}$ and $2\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 5).
- 2.13.0—Celtic Star (Wong, 158); 2, Muskateer (Liang, 152); 3, Cyclone (Chao, 181). Short Head & 2. (A.M. 2).
- 2.18.0—Just In Time (C. Encarnacao, 168); 2, Boolat Bay (H. J. A. Hearne, 168); 3, King's Leao (V. V. Needa, 144). $\frac{1}{2}$ and 2. (A.M. 5).
- 2.15.0—Rose Jane (C. Encarnacao, 150); 2, Tampa Bay (D. Black, 168); 3, Scenic View (H. C. Pih, 140). Short head and 2. (A.M. 5).
- 2.17.2—Salvage Master (Tao, 165); 2, Double Chance (Needa, 168); 3, Dekko (Hearne, 186). 2 & same. (A.M. 3).
- 2.24.0—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Desert Chief (Poy, 161); 3, King's Warden (Marshall, 161). 2 & 6. (A.M. 4).
- 2.20.1—Navylight (Pih, 161); 2, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158); 3, Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 158). many & 3. (A.M. 1).
- 2.28.0—Wild Life (Wei, 145); 2, Rob Roy (Encarnacao, 152); 3, New Star (Marshall, 152). $\frac{1}{2}$ & 1. (A.M. 2).
- 2.28.2—Rose Elect (C. Encarnacao, 168); 2, Moonlight View (H. C. Pih, 140); 3, Red Feather (D. Black, 140). 5 and 3. (1st E.).
- 2.30.2—Hyndford Bridge (Needa, 163); 2, Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 163). $\frac{1}{2}$ length. (A.M. 3).
- 2.32.3—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 163); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Wild Life (Black, 163). 6 & 3. (A.M. 3).
- 2.33.3—Marksman (V. V. Needa, 158); 2, Celtic Star (T. L. Wong, 158); 3, Orange Boven (C. Encarnacao, 158). $2\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 5).
- 2.34.3—Rose Jane (C. Encarnacao, 152); 2, Tampa Bay (D. Black, 161); 3, Scenic View (H. C. Pih, 140). $1\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 (1st E.).
- 2.38.4—Celtic Star (T. L. Wong, 158); 2, Orange Boven (Encarnacao, 158); 3, National Honour (Chanson, 158). 2 & many. (A.M. 3).
- 2.55.4 (record)—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Navylight (Pih, 161); 3, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158). Many & many. (A.M. 2).
- 3.04.1—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 161); 2, Moonlight View (Wong, 161); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 161). 3 & 3. (A.M. 1).
- 3.20.0—Celtic Star (Marshall, 158) and Marksman (T. L. Wong, 158) dead-heated for first; 3, February Fourth (Liang, 155). Dead heat & 4. (A.M. 4).
- 3.40.3—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 161); 2, Red Feather (Wei, 161). Many 2 starters only. (A.M. 2).

AUSTRALIAN PONIES

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- 1.50.1—Candlelight (Pote-Hunt, 152); 2, Triumphant Day (Tao, 155); 3, King's Herald (Needa, 152). Many & 3. (A.M. 2).
- 1 Mile 171 Yards
- 1.57.2—Lancashire Chips (Black, 152); 2, Able Amazon (Marshall, 155); 3, Snow River (Hearne, 149). 2 and neck. (A.M. 4).
- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ Miles
- 2.14.3—Lucky Lad (Needa, 154); 2, Lancashire Chips (Black, 154); 3, Able Amazon (S. W. Pan, 154). Neck & 3. (A.M. 2).
- 2.15.3—Lucky Lad (V. V. Needa, 152); 2, Snowy River (P. Y. T. Wei, 149); 3, Lancashire Chips (D. Black, 152). neck and $1\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 5).
- 2.20.0—Happy Landings (Davis, 152); 2, Devonian (Hearne, 155); 3, National Victory (Chanson, 152). 2 & 4. (A.M. 4).
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Miles
- 2.49.0—Triumphant Day (Tao, 156); 2, Chiltern (Encarnacao, 155); 3, Cocklerol (Needa, 152). 3 & a head. (A.M. 3).
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First Division

BATTING

(Qualification—Four innings, average of 20 and over)

	Inns.	H.S.	Out	Aggr.	Avg.
T. A. Pearce...	7	96	2	228	45.60
A. H. Madar...	7	48*	2	178	35.60
Capt. Whitmarsh...	5	50*	2	105	35.00
N. A. E. Mackay...	7	47*	2	173	34.60
D. J. N. Anderson...	7	64	0	232	33.14
J. L. C. Pearce...	4	41	0	126	31.50
H. Owen Hughes...	6	64*	1	132	26.40
G. C. Burnett...	5	32	1	97	24.25
L. T. Ride...	6	41	0	139	23.17
M. el Arculli...	7	65*	2	115	23.00
L. G. Gosano...	7	51*	1	136	22.67
Major Murray...	4	31	0	80	22.25
Y. el Arculli...	6	45	0	128	21.33
A. R. Kitchell...	6	60	0	126	21.00
Drv. Logan...	6	51	0	125	20.83

BOWLING

(Qualification—Four matches, average of 15 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg	
E. L. Gosano..	85	25	169	31	5.45	
H. L. Ozorio..	80	4	21	207	31	6.68
J. L. C. Pearce	40	2	149	19	7.84	
F. Baker.....	40	8	89	11	8.09	
D. J. N. Ander- son	36	8	99	12	8.25	
A. H. Madar..	71	3	15	202	22	9.18
C. P. O. Paxton	33	3	95	10	9.50	
R. E. Lee.....	92	4	22	268	27	9.97
A. R. M'nu....	124	5	22	356	32	11.11
Pte. Hatfield..	72	15	192	17	11.29	
A. K. Ismail..	58	5	217	18	12.05	
N. Whitley....	27	2	0	116	9	12.89

Second Division

BATTING

(Qualification—Five innings, average of 20 or over)

	Inns.	H.S.	Out	Aggr.	Avg.
C. N. Matthews...	7	20*	6	47	47.00
J. Fong...	8	77	1	326	46.57
B. D. Lav...	6	111*	1	203	40.60
E. J. R. Mitchell...	8	73	3	196	49.25
Sto. Brown...	5	59*	1	144	36.00
C. W. E. Bishop...	9	81	1	285	35.6
G. A. Goodban...	5	59	1	141	35.25
B. C. Fay...	7	53	1	208	34.67
J. L. Stephens...	8	109*	1	239	34.17
Cpl. Webb...	8	73	0	273	34.17
K. Y. Tam...	8	74	0	250	31.25
G. N. Gosano...	8	59*	1	215	30.77
Spr. Ratchiffe...	8	78	2	171	28.55
Ldg. Tel. Wood...	7	37*	3	112	28.00
A. Baker...	6	71*	1	139	27.80
H. P. Lim...	7	37	1	160	26.67
Capt. Carless...	7	57*	2	132	26.40
Lt. Napier...	7	67	0	179	25.57
H. J. Armstrong...	7	77	0	177	25.29
A. R. Smith...	7	88*	2	126	25.20
N. Broadbridge...	5	30	1	96	24.00
N. P. Fox...	8	38	0	180	22.50
L/S. Smith...	8	44	0	166	20.75

BOWLING

(Qualification—Five matches, average of 15 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
C. W. Haines....	77.4	24	158	23	6.75
R. Soares....	86.2	13	276	27	8.97
A. E. Carey....	38.2	11	96	11	8.75
W. L. McKenzie....	52.5	5	175	18	9.77
Ldg. Tel. Wood....	111.5	30	292	30	9.77
G. E. R. Divett....	50	10	149	14	9.00
A. V. Gosano....	89.5	27	230	22	10.44
A. M. Omat....	42	26	199	19	10.44
G. N. Gosano....	53.2	9	150	14	10.77

Senior Shield Final This Afternoon

POLICE MAY BEAT S. CHINA "A"

(By "REFEREE")

POLICE will meet South China "A" this afternoon at 4 p.m. in the final of the Senior Shield Competition when a thrilling game is anticipated, the odds being even at the moment of writing.



NEXT WEEK'S SOCCER PROGRAMME

MONDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1939
Kotewall Charity Cup Competition
Army v South China
(Causeway Bay, 4 p.m.)
Referee: Hooper.

Linesmen: Stedman and McIlgrew.
WEDNESDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1939.
2nd Division, Runners-up play off

*5th A.A. Regt. v Middlesex
(Sookunpoo, 3.30 p.m.)
Referee: Marriott.

SATURDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1939
First Division

Navy v South China "A"
(Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee: Clarke.

Linesmen: Baker and Horlock.
SUNDAY, 16TH APRIL, 1939
International Charity Cup Final

(Sunday Herald)
China v Portugal
(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)

Referee: Goss.
Linesmen: Clarke and Hinchliffe.

SATURDAY, 22ND APRIL, 1939
Kotewall Charity Cup Competition

South China v Navy
(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)

Referee: Ford.
Linesmen: Adlam and Edwards.

SUNDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1939
Champions (1st Div.) v Rest of Colony

* 35 minutes each half. If necessary 10 minutes extra time each half.

JUNIOR SHIELD FINAL

Preceding the Senior Shield final at 4 p.m., Royal Scots will meet Middlesex in the final of the Junior Shield, on the Club ground, commencing at 2.15 p.m. An early start is necessary as 90 minutes will be played.

Royal Scots have been very convincing recently, as witness their defeat last Tuesday at the hands of South China in the Second Division. Middlesex are a well-knit team and should record their first win in this series.

Middlesex's team will be selected from the following 13 players: Drake, Taylor, Thomson, Collier, Whitehouse, Thomas, Dawes, McEachran, Jennings, Riches, Coomber, C. Thomas and Parker.

R. Scots: Salter, Fowler and Barnaby; Wiseman, Fraser and Symons; Crawford, Keane, Garry, Williamson and Gilroy.

D. S. Robb...	52.2	8	206	19	10.84
K. L. Ng.....	87.4	20	231	21	11.00
R. Baldwin...	35	1	118	9	12.11
R. A. J. Simpson.....	53	5	195	15	13.00
W. Stoker.....	53.2	11	181	13	13.02
W. K. Way.....	29	4	134	10	13.40
Y. T. Barma.....	14.1	1	82	6	13.67
C. H. Teoh.....	71.3	15	260	19	13.68
B. D. Lay.....	52.3	10	158	11	14.36
W. S. Gegg.....	66	17	173	12	14.42
Capt. Carless..	54	10	175	12	14.58

Police have displayed amazingly good form recently, and only three weeks ago upset forecasts by defeating South China "A" at Boundary Street by 3 goals to 2 after being in arrears at the interval by two clear goals.

The inclusion of several Chinese players in the Police team this season has been responsible for the majority of their victories. Chan Kwong-yue is a sound right-back while Wong Man-kwai, right-winger, and Fan Kwan-choi, the centre-forward, are both very dangerous and in the same class as South China forwards.

TRUSTFUL LINE

Police have the thrust and have recently been considerably strengthened in the intermediate line by a return to form of Brittain, who must be one of the oldest League playing members.

Howlett will have to eliminate his fancy touches if he hopes to make head way against South China's halves.

South China "A" will be without the services of Lee Wai-tong, who has not turned out for either League or Shield games this season. Fung will lead the attack, while Kwok Yin-kee will be at inside-right. There is nothing one can say about South China that has not already been said, except that they will have to be at their best to secure victory.

Police: McHardy; Chan Kwong-yue and C. Blackburn; North, Brittain and Parker; Wong Man-kwai, Howlett, Fan Kwan-choi, Ferrier and Moss.
South China "A": Pau Ka-ping; Lee Tin-sang and Mak Shiu-hon; Lau Hing-choy, Leung Wing-chiu and Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Kwok Yin-kee, Fung King-cheong, Lai Shiu-wing and Lau Tau-man.

COMPLETE LEAGUE FIXTURES TO-DAY

At Sookunpoo this afternoon, Royal Scots will meet Kowloon in their final match of the season, commencing at 4.45 p.m.



KOWLOON G.C. BEAT H. VALLEY BY 1½ POINTS

Kowloon Golf Club beat Happy Valley Golf Club by 1½ points in their annual match which was held under perfect conditions over the Kowloon City Course yesterday.

At the completion of the Singles, Happy Valley led by half-a-point and the result depended upon the last fourball encounter of the afternoon in which W. Bastin and E. C. Fincher (K.G.C.) were opposed to G. G. May and N. Booker.

The home pair were down two holes with four holes to go. They were all square at the 16th and then won the remaining two holes for victory.

TO-DAY'S CRICKET PROGRAMME

The following is to-day's Cricket League programme:

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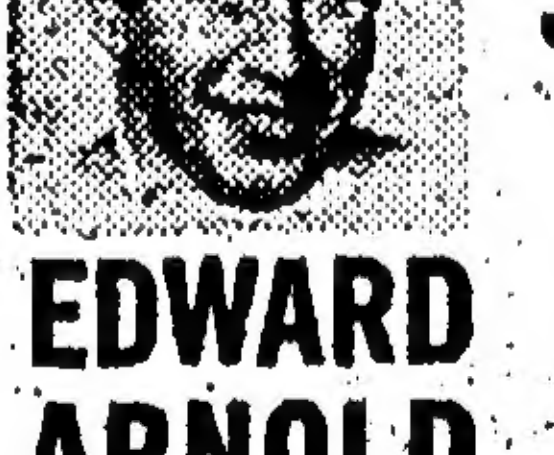
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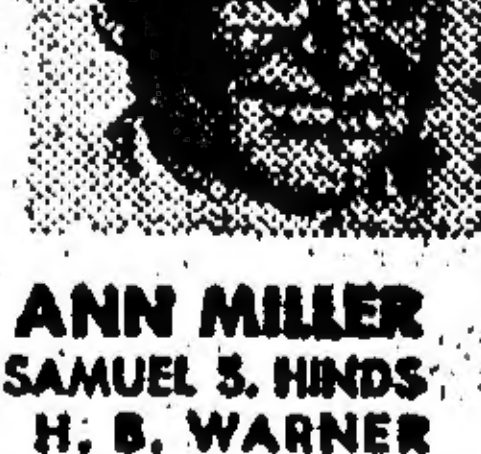
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Dance Music:
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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intorcession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Songs by Charles Killman (Tenor).
Thine Alone (Blossom & Herbert); When You're Away (Blossom & Herbert); Gypsy Love Song (Smith & Herbert).... with Orchestra.
12.40 p.m.—Boston Promenade Orchestra.
"Aida"—Ballet Suite (Verdi); Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms); Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms); Waltz (from "The Sleeping Beauty" Ballet, Op. 66a—Tchaikovsky).... cond. by Arthur Fiedler.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone). Love's Old Sweet Song (Bingham-Molloy); Auf Wiedersehen (from "The Blue Paradise").... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.
To-night Will Teach Me To Forget (film "The Merry Widow"); Try To Forget (film "The Cat and the Fiddle").... Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Dream Of Autumn (Joyce); Chorus-ters' Waltz (Phelps).... London Novelty Orchestra.
Farwell To Dreams (Kahn-Romberg); Will You Remember? (film "Maytime").... Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.
A Sweet Mystery Of Life (from "Naughty Marietta").... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Chorus and Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby and Rugby Press.

To-day's Wireless

ZBW 355 M. (845 kc's) and 31.49 M.
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Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Dance Music & Variety.
Vocal—A Sweet Irish Sweetheart Of Mine (film "Outside of Paradise").... Phil Ragan with Orchestra.
Orch. w. Organ—Girl of the Golden West—Selection.... Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra.
London, with Al Bollington at the Organ.
Humorous Sketch—The Kids And The Char (Tarri & Hemsley): Part 1. Out Shopping; Part 2. Doin' a Bit of Bunking.... Suzette Tarri and Harry Hemsley.
Dance Orch.—Tango Medley.... Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra.
Vocal—Holtz Myer And Cohen (Soprano-Davis); I Must See Annie To-night (Friend-Franklin).... Max Bacon with Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—Wabash Blues—Quickstep; Sweet Georgia Brown—Fox-Trot.... Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Dance Music by Benny Goodman's and Roy Fox's Orchestras.
Fox-Trot—Can't We Be Friends; Peckin'.... Benny Goodman & His Orchestra.
Waltz—Sympathy (film "Firefly"); Fox-Trot—It's The Natural Thing To Do (film "Double or Nothing"); The Moon Got In My Eyes (film "Double or Nothing").... Roy Fox & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Why Couldn't It Be Poor Little Me; Love Me, Or Leave Me.... Benny Goodman & His Orch.
Slow Fox-Trot—I Won't Tell A Soul; Two Shadows (from the film).... Roy Fox & His Orch.
Fox-Trot—Roll 'Em.... Benny Goodman & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Always and Always (film "Mannquin"); Sweet Someone (film "Love and Blaise"); Little Old Lady; In The Mission by the Sea.... Roy Fox & His Orchestra.
8.45 p.m.—London Relay—"Lucky Dip". Eleventh Edition. Presented by William MacLurg with "Listeners' Corner" edited by Adrian Thomas. Songs, anecdotes, and verses contributed by listeners and "Enter Sexton Blake" written for broadcasting by Ernest Dudley on a synopsis by Berkeley Gray with George Curzon as Sexton Blake and Brian Lawrence as Tinker—Episode 11: "The Iron Boot". Music by Rae Jenkins' Lucky Dip Orchestra under the direction of Jack Clarke.
7.30 p.m.—Renara, Leslie Hutchinson and Jay Wilbur & His Band.
So Many Memories (Woods); With "Marry" Tattooed On His Arm (Erard, Trafford, Ives).... Jay Wilbur & His Band with Vocal Chorus.
There's Something About An Old Love (Mills-Flen-Hudson); They Say (Heyman-Mann-Weiss).... Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.
Gershwin Medley.... Renara (Piano).
I Love To Whistle—Fox-Trot (from "Mad about Music"); So Long, Sweetheart—Fox-Trot.... Jay Wilbur & His Band with Vocal Chorus.
"Sweet Adeline" Piano Medley.... Renara (Piano).
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Quentin M. Maclean at the Organ.
Babbling (Maclean).
China Doll Parade (Zamecnik).
Happy Days—Selection.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Theatreland. Theatreland in London is one of continual change and in this programme William Morrison will tell you all about the new productions, both on the legitimate and musical stage. You will also hear some of the numbers that have kept so popularly and those which are holding their own after a long run. Presented by F. H. C. Piffard.
8.35 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra.
50 Years Of Song (A Selection of Historical Song Successes).
Echoes From The Piazza (Ferraria).
Kiss Me Again (Herbert).
Master Melodies. Intro; Romance; Waltz; Spring Song; Invitation to the Waltz; Hungarian Dance No. 6.
8.53 p.m.—Local Sports Results.
8.55 p.m.—London Relay—"The Adventures of Alonzo McTavish" No. 4: Carnival for Crooks. Specially written for broadcasting by Peter Cheyney. Characters: Alonzo McTavish; Dubosc, Hall Porter at the Maison Marner; Mademoiselle Fleurette Vionnet; An Embassy Servant; The Leronian Ambassador; Lieutenant Francois Dulac, Naval Attache to the Leronian Embassy. Production by Val Gielgud.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"London Log".
9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News.
9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
(a) Flammata; (b) Silento; (c) Quieremo Mucho; (d) Chavaliyo.
10.05 p.m.—Interval of record music from Z.B.W.
10.10 p.m.—(a) I'll dream to-night; (b) I'll never let you cry; (c) It's easier said than done; (d) Lullaby in Rhythm.
10.25 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.
10.35 p.m.—(a) Loch Lomond; (b) Avalon; (c) There's a far away look in your eyes; (d) I found my yellow Basket.
10.50 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.
11 p.m.—(a) Artist's Life; (b) Sylva; (c) Coco l'Asieot; (d) Celito Dindo.
11.15 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.
11.20 p.m.—(a) Blues in "E" Flat; (b) Before we say Goodbye; (c) Basin Street Blues; (d) Rhythm Mad.
11.35 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.
11.45 p.m.—(a) Cowboy from Brooklyn; (b) Oh! Ma-Ma; (c) I'll see you in my dreams; (d) Good-night Ladies.
12 Midnight.—Close down.



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♠ K 8
♥ A 8 7 5
♦ Q 9 4 3
♣ J 6
♠ A 7 5
♥ 4 3
♦ A J 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

The Bidding:

South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	1♥	1♠
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
Pass	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	Pass	Pass

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went right up with the Queen, played a second club and ducked in dummy, whereupon the rest of the tricks were his and he made his three-notrump contract doubled with an overtrick.

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♠ K 7 6 5 3
♥ A
♦ A K
♣ A K Q J 2

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ANSWER: Your correct bid is two clubs. While it is a practically invariable rule with us to bid the higher-ranking of two 5-card suits first, we do not approve of opening with a two-bid on a suit as weak as your spades. At the same time we consider the hand too strong for a mere one-bid.

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Question No. 68.

David Bruce Brunstone is your partner, both sides are vulnerable and you hold:

♠ A Q 7 6 4 3 2
♥ A
♦ A K
♣ A K Q J 2

The Bidding:

You Jacoby Duration Meter

1♣ Pass 1♥

2♣ Pass 2♥

3♣ Pass 3♥

4♣ Pass 4♥

5♣ Pass 5♥

6♣ Pass 6♥

7♣ Pass 7♥

8♣ Pass 8♥

9♣ Pass 9♥

10♣ Pass 10♥

11♣ Pass 11♥

12♣ Pass 12♥

13♣ Pass 13♥

14♣ Pass 14♥

15♣ Pass 15♥

16♣ Pass 16♥

17♣ Pass 17♥

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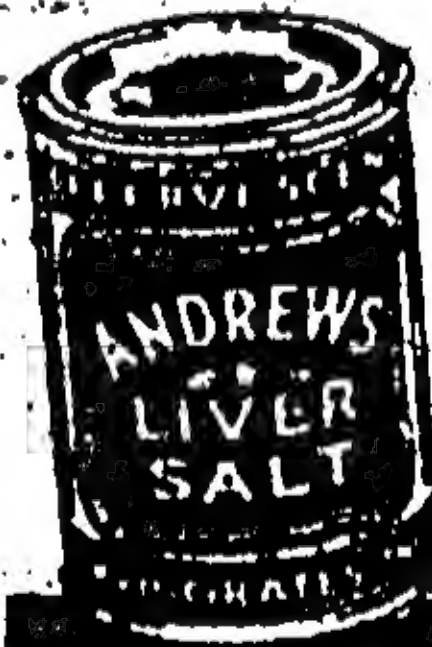
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ITALIANS SWOOP DOWN ON ALBANIA

(Continued from Page 1)
into the sea twice by Albanian forces.

STREET FIGHTING

Meanwhile the shelling of Durazzo continued, while street fighting occurred between Italian troops and Albanian gendarmes, soldiers and volunteers in Valona following the landing there.

Three Italian divisions, numbering some 35,000 men, are believed to be participating in the actual fighting. Albania has a standing army of about 12,000 men, and is hardly in a position to resist for long, though 26,000 troops have been mobilised.

The semi-official Rome agency reporting the landing at Valona Durazzo, San Giovanni and Dume-dua, says: "There was no reaction worthy of special mention."

ORDERS TO PLANES

In Rome it is announced that the march into the interior has begun. Four hundred planes are participating in the invasion. The airmen have been ordered not to attack inhabited centres and to spare the population.

Throughout the day Italian bomber squadrons flew over Albanian territory dropping pamphlets announcing the disembarkation of troops and warning the population not to resist under the threat of "atrocious military measures."

The pamphlets called on the people to surrender to the Italian King-Emperor.

HEAVY FIGHTING

Heavy fighting is taking place in the town of Asingjini, where "blood is flowing in streams."

Reuter's correspondent at Tirana

says that the first landings between 5.30 and 6 a.m. were repelled after fierce fighting. Reuter states that the morale of the Albanian troops and civil population was reported to be excellent.

ITALIAN ULTIMATUM DEFINITELY REJECTED

London, To-day.

Some confusion at first existed as to whether Albania and Italy had patched up their quarrel diplomatically.

A report from Tirana stated that Italy had accepted the Albanian counter-proposals, and that an Albanian delegation had gone to Durazzo to arrange the cessation of hostilities.

However, following an Albanian Cabinet meeting in the Royal Palace, the Chamber and Government unanimously rejected the Italian ultimatum.

King Zog, the Government and the Diplomatic Corps are all in Tirana. The Italian Minister and the staff of his Legation are also in Tirana, and it was supposed that negotiations between the two Governments had not been broken off.

UNITE AND FIGHT

Meanwhile the Tirana short wave station is continually broadcasting in five languages. It appeals to Albanians to unite and fight to the last drop of blood.

In Rome it is said that a mission of plenipotentiaries sent by King Zog conferred with General Guzzoni and submitted proposals from King Zog. These have been transmitted to Rome. — Reuter.

London, To-day.

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Paris, To-day.

French official circles are closely watching developments in Albania.

While there is anxiety, it appears improbable that any steps will be taken at this particular juncture.

It is pointed out that juridically Italy is granted the right by France and Britain to form a protectorate over Albania, and no vital interests are involved in the present move.

Although the fact that the Italian occupation of Albania would turn the Adriatic into a purely Italian lake, and is technically a breach of understanding, it is also pointed out that this is capable of turning against the interests of Germany herself were any attempt to be made on Trieste.

Anxiety is felt, however, whether the Albanian move is not the beginning of an Axis plan for a combined drive into the Eastern Mediterranean and beyond.

If so, the situation is regarded as extremely serious, although tempered by Colonel Beck's successful visit to London.

If it is only a gesture on the part of Mussolini for the sake of prestige, it is considered that the Western Powers must wait and see whether Hitler and Mussolini have been impressed by the Anglo-French co-operation or are determined to go headlong forward in pursuit of their purpose. — Reuter.

According to latest reports the Italian attack on Tirana has been at least temporarily brought to a standstill.

Official reports state that Italian troops reached a point within eleven miles of the capital, but were later driven back.

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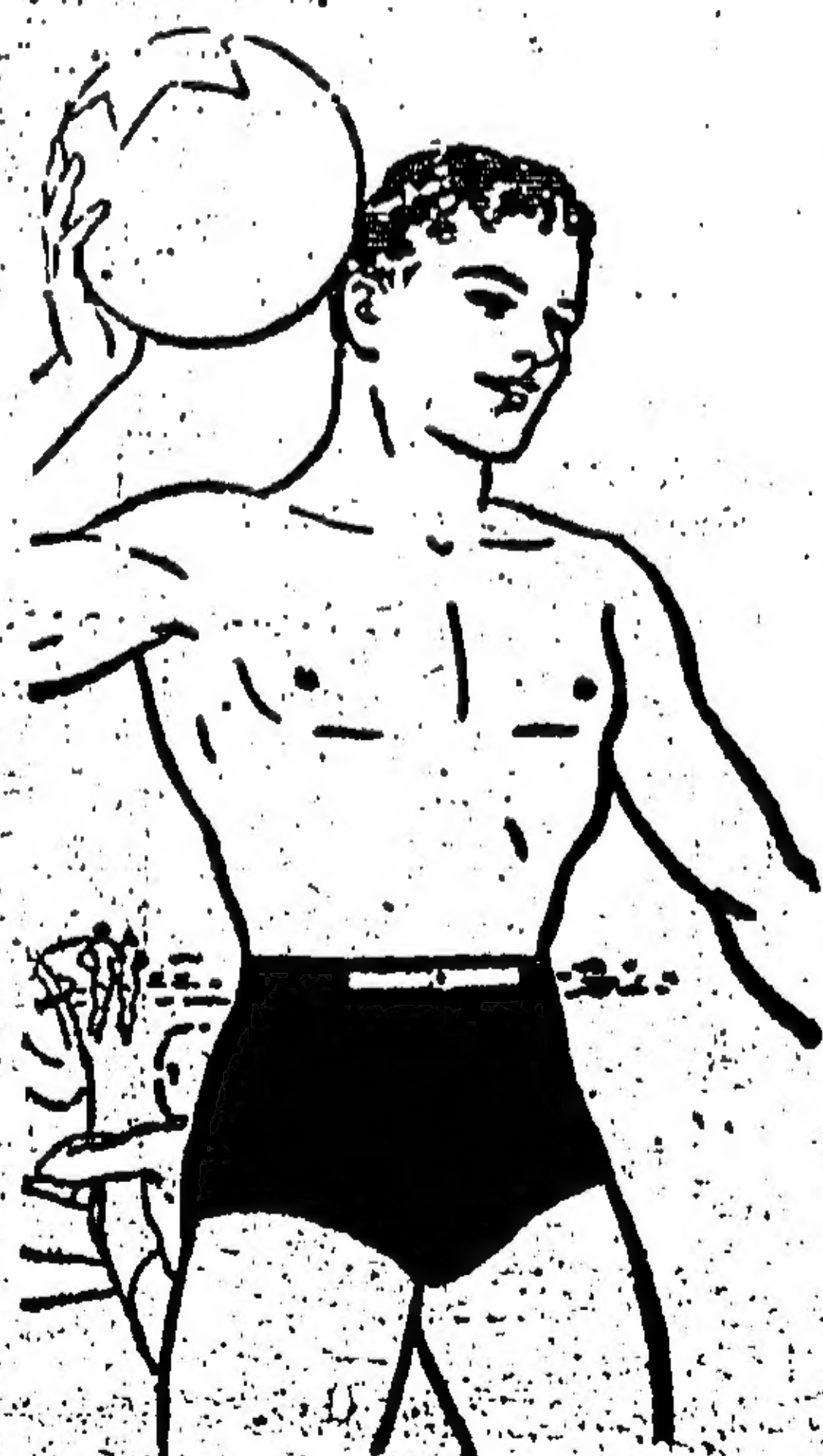
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